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## Makes Grave Charges Of Palestine Conditions Obscured By Censorship

Serious disclosures of what is going on in Palestine were made by the well-known Palestine lawyer, Max Seligman, when he spoke at the Anglo-Palestinian Club in London, England, reports the London Jewish Chronicle.

Since his stay in England, said Mr. Seligman, conversations with English Zionists had considerably intensified the feeling which he and most of his friends in Palestine had that the people in England were utterly ignorant of what had been going on in Palestine.

Mr. Seligman gave some examples of the way censorship was employed in the Middle East to prevent people learning the truth. Information had reach him of the Lord Moyne killers from a journalist who had covered the trial in Cairo. This journalist drew his attention to the censored report in the newspapers to the effect that when the two young Jews were arrested they were almost lynched by the Egyptians and their clothes were torn to shreds. The truth was, the journalist told him, that far from lynching the two men, the Egyptian boys had tried to rescue them, while the photographic takes had shown their clothes to be in excellent condition.

Again, it had been reported in the press abroad that a request by the defence for several witnesses to be brought from Palestine had been waived by the accused's own counsel. The truth was that the President of the Court had announced that the Government of Palestine had informed the court that these witnesses were in prison or in concentration camps, and would not [illegible]

were [illegible] a large number of young Poles in concentration camps in Palestine who had been kept there for two, three, four, or five years and without any protest whatsoever from leading Jewish authorities. Many of these poor people—he was not referring to those who were recently rounded up—were still in those concentration camps, and not a finger had been lifted to help them or to demand an inquiry.

He was invited, said the speaker, to visit these internees and take up some of their cases. He had found, for example, the case of a girl who had been arrested at the age of 16 merely because she had been the girl friend of a man who was a suspected terrorist. She had been kept together with others in Bethlehem for no less than four years. He had succeeded in getting some of them released. But others were still there.

There was also a large amount of beating-up and torture of Jewish prisoners going on. There was a so-called "Brown-House" to which prisoners were taken and where attempts were made to induce them to make confessions.

Jewish men were systematically tortured and done away with, and it did not require much imagination to realise what resentment this must cause in Palestine.

The leaders of the Irgun Zvai Leumi included keen young Jewish nationalists, Palestinians, and young men who had come to Palestine during the previous few years, teachers and scholars, all ready to lay down their lives for what they believed to be their cause, just as Trumpeldor had laid down his life for Palestine.

Stern was a very devoutly religious Jew, a teacher of no mean ability, and a man who, curiously enough, had never handled a firearm in his life. He led the dissident group who wanted to stop the arrests and the beating up of Jews, and their efforts were directed against people whom they believed to be guilty of criminal acts against members of their organisations and almost entirely police officials.

The situation in Palestine, he continued, was a little difficult to appreciate unless one had been there. They were always being told of how the desert had been transformed into beautiful agricultural land. But he was talking to them that evening of things about which they were not told.

There were a number of good Englishmen in Palestine, really good men who had been able to withstand the pressure brought upon them by the older members of the British community. There were, he said, a lot of killings of Jews in Palestine which had never been explained or investigated, because the responsible Jewish bodies had not asked for an investigation. These Jewish organisations had not asked for an investigation because the persons concerned had been political opponents of the Jewish Agency and of other responsible Jewish organisations. These official Jewish bodies did not seem to realise that a day might come when they themselves might be the section of the Jewish community which the Government did not like, and that it would be their turn to suffer the very same fate unless this sort of thing was stopped.

Mr. Seligman cited a number of cases, among them that of a barber who was killed, supposedly, he said, while running away from the police. But it turned out that the man was deaf! The coroner's inquest had acquitted the police.

With all these killings going on, there were, naturally, people who were not going to take it lying down and who felt that they must get their revenge, that if their husband, father, or son was killed, somebody else must also pay for that killing. This thing was likely to go on for ever unless something was done, and nothing would be done unless the rank and file of Zionists in England insisted upon their leaders announcing all these facts, telling them to the Government, and having them aired in Parliament. He was personally satisfied, said Mr. Seligman, from talks which he had had with [illegible] officials, [illegible] of these things, he did not doubt that they would put a stop to them.

It was in that atmosphere that men and women had become members of the Stern gang. He was not suggesting for one moment that they were right in doing the things they had done. But it was useless to sit in England in comfort, luxury, and ease and merely to condemn these crimes and do nothing more. They must bring to light what was going on. They knew that it had never been the practice of Jews to band together for the sole purpose of committing murder. If they did such things there was something very serious behind it. There was, in fact, all this sort of thing he had described behind it—and much more.

In his further observations Mr. Seligman said there was a very violent anti-Jewishness on the part of large sections of the Palestine Administration, although there were some very good officials, too.

Perhaps the only department where anti-Jewishness was not rife was the legal department. There conditions had changed considerably during the past 25 years and the bench could be said to be clear of any charge of bribery and corruption.

To-day there were no Jewish heads of Government departments, except the newly appointed head of the Censorship Department. The censorship in Palestine had been a most rigid, unnecessary, and oppressive one and one that had been abused to an extraordinary extent. There had been censorship of the press, of the postal-service, and of cables. Telephones were tapped and cables were often held up for a great length of time. Nothing could be published in Palestine before it had passed the press censor and they had had instances where declarations or statements by men such as President Roosevelt and even Mr. Churchill had been censored or not allowed to appear at all. There was once a favourable statement on Palestine made by President Roosevelt which was not allowed to appear. But two days later an attack on the Zionist movement made by the New York Times was let through in full!

Nobody in Palestine could criticise the Administration for these things. If he did he was liable to be arrested and put into a concentration camp—there was no need for a trial.

Referring to the Arabs, Mr. Seligman said they never had any indication from them of any political bias or prejudice or indeed of any political ambitions. These things only cropped up when certain members of the Administration desired it.

If, said Mr. Seligman, they were concerned in the building up of a national home in Palestine, then they must realise this fact—that no national home could be built, any more than any ordinary home, unless the persons who were going to build and live in that home could live in friendship and understanding.

## Asks Jewish Voice Be Heard At Meet

With the request that the Jewish people receive a hearing at the United Nations Security Conference at San Francisco, the American Jewish Conference submitted to the Department of State a "security" program for the Jewish people in the post-war world.

The conference declared that it spoke for the majority of American Jews in asking the United Nations to incorporate in their charter an International Bill of Rights, to speed the reconstitution of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth, to restore the civil and political rights of the Jews of Europe, to undertake measures for their rehabilitation and resettlement and the restoration of their property confiscated by the Nazis and their collaborators, and to punish those responsible for war crimes against the Jewish people.

In requesting the right to present to appropriate committees of the United Nations Conference the program for the restoration of rights and status to the remnants of the Jewish people who have survived the Nazi "gas chamber and firing squad census," the Conference declared:

"Now when those who have been so long silenced by the oppressor are to be permitted to speak, it would be gross inequity if this right were to be granted to all, and withheld only from the most oppressed; reserving for them only the dubious privilege of ex parte utterance.

"It is pertinent to note, too, that every nation which has declared war against the Axis, including many who withheld that declaration until March 1, 1945, will be represented in the new [illegible]

"After twenty centuries of wandering and discrimination climaxed by the events of the last nightmare decade, the Jewish people is burdened with the effects of countless wrongs perpetrated against it. The righting of these wrongs is today the great desideratum not only of their particular victims, but of all mankind. The council of the United Nations, therefore, constitutes the proper forum for their discussion, the proper instrument for their rectification. There, the Jewish people has a right to be heard. Heard, it can confidently feel that justice will be done."

The program submitted to Mr. Stettinius was based on the decisions of the 500 delegates to the Conference who represent sixty national Jewish membership organizations and every major Jewish community in the United States.

Co-chairmen of the Interim Committee of the conference are Dr. Israel Goldstein, Louis Lipsky and Henry Monsky.

Mr. Lipsky, chairman of the Executive Committee, who headed the committee which submitted the Conference memorandum, said that the Conference was joining forces with the Board of Deputies of British Jews and the World Jewish Congress in behalf of two score Jewish communities throughout the world. A joint committee of the three organizations is scheduled to meet in New York within a fortnight to arrange for the submission of a common program to the San Francisco Conference.

Mr. Lipsky stated that inasmuch as it was likely that mandated territories would be under discussion at San Francisco, the Jewish Agency for Palestine, an official body under the existing Palestine Mandate, should receive official status at San Francisco.

In pleading for a Jewish voice at San Francisco, the memorandum declared that in "the peaceful and orderly reconstruction of the world, all peoples must have a voice in the determination of their future" and "we ask that this right be granted to the Jewish people".

## Roosevelt Sends Temple Centenary Call For Revival

President Roosevelt called for a revival of the spirit of religion as a means of bringing about unity among the people of the U.S. in a message read at the centenary dinner of Congregation Emanu-El, of New York, in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

The message addressed to Rabbi Samuel H. Goldenson, spiritual leader of Congregation Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue at Sixty-sixth Street, was as follows:

"The gravity of the times which mark the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of Congregation Emanu-El, quickens in the hearts and souls of thinking men and women an appreciation of their dependence on the strength that can be found only in the everlasting reality of religion.

"It seems, therefore, fitting that I should again declare that no greater thing could come to our land today than a revival of the spirit of religion—a revival that would stir the hearts of men and women of all faiths to a reassertion of their belief in God. I doubt if there is any problem that would not melt away before the fire of such a spiritual awakening.

"The great majority of Americans find religious unity in a common biblical heritage—the heritage of the Old Testament. Whether our allegiance is to the tenets of Christian revelation or to the ancient teaching of Israel, we all hold to the inspiration of the Old Testament and accept the Ten Commandments as the fundamental law of God.

"It is well for us, therefore, in the face of global war and world upheaval, to emphasize the many essential things in which we, as a [illegible]

## Falasha Block Jews Of N. Y. To Work On Farm Projects

Dr. Wentworth David Matthew, chief rabbi of the Commandment Keepers, a Harlem sect of Black Jews, disclosed that 500 of his followers have agreed to work on co-operative farm projects on Long Island in a bid for economic independence.

Small family groups, a vanguard in this movement, already have started homes in two communities, North Babylon and Wyandanch, where the Commandment Keepers, according to Rabbi Matthew, have acquired title to a number of houses and several parcels of land.

Visited at the close of the service in his second-floor synagogue, at 87 West 128th Street, he explained that the program has a threefold purpose. There are plans for a convalescent home for war veterans, and there also is the hope of providing a cushion for the blow of reconversion for many now working in war plants.

"Beyond these," Rabbi Matthew added, "is our ultimate goal "to achieve economic stability as producers." He said the Commandment Keepers, "like underprivileged people all over the world, will never get anywhere as a consuming class." The sect operates a number of Harlem cigar and stationery stores, a laundry and a gas-range business. These are operated on a reciprocity basis with White Jewish merchants in Harlem.

The Commandment Keepers sect, like its fraternal subsidiary, the Royal Order of Ethiopian Hebrews, is chartered in New York State. Its original home was a basement at 33 West 138th Street, where it was founded by Rabbi Matthew in 1919. Originally there were eleven members. Today there are 3,300 Harlem members, and another 3,000 in scattered northern communities, according to the New York Herald Tribune.

There are branches of the sect in Brooklyn, Jersey City, Philadelphia, Media, Pa.; Cullen, Va.; Youngstown and Warren, Ohio; Salt Lake City and St. Louis. The sect maintains a home for the aged and has eighty-seven children in its junior school and about as

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## DISTINGUISHED U.S. MAJOR GENERAL, KILLED BY NAZI, WAS SON OF RABBI

Rabbi Samuel Rose, eighty-nine years old, of Denver Colorado, quoted from Exodus in commenting on the death of his son, Major General Maurice Rose, on the field of battle.

"It is well that since this had to be, it happened in the week of Passover", he said. "As Jehovah said, 'When I see the blood, I will pass over to you.' He spoke not only to the Jews but to all peoples, to the Gentiles, to Americans, to Germans, to all peoples. 'When I see the sacrifice, the blood, I will pass over you.'

"The Jewish people have demonstrated their love of liberty and freedom for all peoples since the days of Abraham, Isaac and Joseph, and I am proud that they are still demonstrating it, in the wars of the world, at this Passover time—in the deeds and the death of my son."

A memorial service for General Rose was held at Beth Ha Medrash Hagodol Synagogue. He was a member of the congregation.

Major General Maurice Rose was shot to death in a woods near Paderborn by a German tankman whose shouted orders the captured commander of the American 3rd Armored Division could not understand.

The tall, handsome general was felled on March 30 by a bullet in the head as he started to surrender his pistol to the German, who had Rose and his aide covered with a machine pistol. The aide, Major Robert Bellinger, of White Plains, N.Y., and other officers who were with Rose fled as the German fired, and escaped, making their way to their headquarters hours later.

[illegible] day of his death, Rose [illegible] jeep to find another of his task force commanders, Rose ran head-on into a group of German Tiger tanks that had infiltrated the American lines. His jeep and an armored car carrying other members of his staff wheeled across a field and through the woods but ran into another German tank, and Rose got out of his jeep to surrender.

As he stood with hands over his head, the German holding a machine pistol in the tank turret unloosed a torrent of words.

"I don't understand," the general kept saying, according to Bellinger.

Then Rose, apparently concluding the German meant that he should give up his weapon reached to unfasten his holster. The German fired.

After the enemy force had been cleared from the sector, Rose's body was found where he fell.

"It may have been that the general misunderstood what the German wanted, and that when he dropped his hands to lift the holster the tankman thought he was going to fight," a 1st Army officer said.

Rose, who enlisted at the age of seventeen during the World War and won his way to the top from the ranks, earned fame in Africa, Sicily and on the dash through France by his intrepidity and constant desire to be in the thick of action.

The death in action of Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose, announced in Washington, has deprived the American Army of one of its most skilled and gallant officers, says Harold Denny, of the New York Times. He was a man of rare personal charm besides.

General Rose was young for his rank and war correspondents, including Mr. Denny, who accompanied him when he spearheaded the First Army's drive across Belgium and in Germany, felt that he was marked for an even more brilliant future.

General Rose was a driver, as every successful general must be but he was also a leader in the literal sense and he was customarily in the thick of battle—in an open jeep equipped with a two-way radio. He required the utmost effort from his men but he never asked them to do anything that he was unwilling to do and they loved him as well as respected him.

He [illegible] of the Third [illegible] that certainly had no superior anywhere.

He was an exceptionally handsome man, with a fine military bearing and polished manner, unusual in this rough and ready time. He could fling his forces at the enemy with incredible speed yet he never seemed to be hurried and was never rattled even when his division was fighting for its very survival in last winter's Ardennes breakthrough by the Germans.

He added a strong force of fighting vehicles to his division headquarters and led it into action as a combat element. He always placed his headquarters close to the front line so that he could visit his units without wasting

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# Social Notes—Montreal

Mrs. S. E. Goldman, Lacombe Avenue, is in New York, visiting her father, Samuel Landau.

Mrs. M. Jasaby, Harvard Avenue, is spending a holiday at Ste. Agathe.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Singer and daughter, Gloria, Dorval Avenue, have returned from a week's holiday at Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. J. J. Wilanski, Queen Mary Road, has gone to New York to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Arnovitz and son, Paul, Grovehill Place, have returned from several days' visit to Quebec.

Mrs. B. Yates and daughter, Rhoda, Grovehill Place, have returned from a ten-day visit to New York.

Mrs. B. Bernfeld and twin sons, Allan and Arthur, Cote St. Luc Road, have returned from Lac Brule, where they spent the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Levy, Circle Road, have returned from New Orleans, Louisiana, where they were present at the wedding of the latter's sister, Miss Beulah Pailet, to Jack Kushner, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Scherzer, Bellechasse Avenue, have gone to New York for a holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Birshtein, and family, Grovehill Place, returned from Ste. Agathe.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Kovitch, of Providence, R.I., spent the Passover holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Aber, Decarie Boulevard, and her brothers-in-law, and sisters Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shiff, Dunlop Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. H. Hertz, Trans Island Avenue.

Mrs. M. Bald and daughter, Ann, Harvard Avenue, visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Harris, in New York.

Mrs. O. Ornstein, Queen Mary Road, returned from Florida where she spent the winter.

Mrs. A. Pincus and sons, Milton and Norman, Clinton Avenue, returned from Ste. Agathe, where they spent the holidays.

Mrs. M. J. Rohrlick and daughter, Joan, Meridian Road, returned from Lac Brule.

Mrs. A. Vineberg, Decarie Boulevard, returned from spending the holidays in Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. I. Liverman, Oxford Avenue, is spending two weeks in Ste. Agathe.

Miss Rae Etta Rigler, formerly of de l'Epee Avenue, has taken up residence at 4810 Dornal Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hollinger and Arlene and Aronld, Ponsard Avenue, have returned from a week's visit to Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. H. Shapiro, Queen Mary Road, spent a holiday at Lac Brule.

Mrs. A. Pincus, Clinton Avenue, entertained at dinner at El Morocco, in honor of Miss Ruth Glazer, of Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Arthur Simon, Kitchener Avenue, visited relatives in Chicago, Ill.

Sgt. and Mrs. Samuel Shlevin, of Harvard, Mass., were in Montreal days, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Denbow, Forden Avenue.

Ross Isaacs, Aberdeen Avenue, spent the holidays with relatives in Chicago, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kaufman, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Louis Bacal, Belmont Avenue, have returned from a holiday spent at Four Seasons Lodge, Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. R. Bloomfield, Dorchester Street West, has returned from Florida, where she spent the winter.

Sydney Phillips, of Jersey City, N.J., visited Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Robinson, Cote St. Antoine Road.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kopstein, of Orange, N.J., are stopping at the Mount Royal Hotel.

T. Glickman, Sherbrooke Street West, has returned from Florida, where he spent the winter.

Mrs. Manley Finklestein, of Winnipeg, is visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bronfman, Belvedere Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Fischel, Redfern Avenue, spent several weeks in Florida, visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Sara Fischel.

Mrs. Max Wilanski, Stanley Street, is in Albany, N.Y., visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mandelbaum.

Mrs. Zelda Sloan, Sherbrooke Street West, has returned from Florida, where she spent the winter.

George W. Cohen, Cote des Neiges Road, returned from Toronto, where he was a guest at the home of Mrs. I. Centner, Rochester Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Miller and daughter, Marilyn, Northmount Avenue, returned from Meaford, Ont., where they spent the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ciglen.

Mrs. Joseph Lande, Maplewood Avenue, is in Ste. Agathe.

Mrs. S. W. Smolkin, of Cornwall, Ont., visited her mother, Mrs. Fannie Ornstein, Durocher Avenue, for a few days.

Mrs. M. Robbins, St. Joseph Boulevard West, has returned from a month's visit to Ste. Agathe.

Cpl. Philip Bloomfield, R.C.A.F., who is stationed at Yarmouth, N. S., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Bloomfield, Laurier Avenue West.

L.A.C. Samuel Bedler and Mrs. Bedler, of Ottawa, Ont., spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Solomon, Van Horne Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Redler, Champagneur Avenue.

Mrs. A. Beger, Stuart Avenue, returned from a four-week trip to New York; Washington, D.C.; and Wilmington, Delaware.

Leonard Ornstein, Durocher Avenue, visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Smolkin, of Cornwall, Ont.

Miss Gladys Feldman, 990 Pratt Avenue, went to New York to spend a three-week holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Isador Lefson, 283 Laurier Avenue West, spent a few days in Ste. Agathe.

Miss Dorothy Holzberg, Park Avenue, returned after spending a month in Mexico City, where she visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Manus Corcoran and niece, Phyllis.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Branfman and daughter, Dora, of Brooklyn, N.Y., visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Bloomfield and family, for the holidays.

Mrs. Fannie Ornstein, Durocher Avenue, spent the holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Smolkin, of Cornwall, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Shulman, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Sol. Miller, Laurier Avenue West, spent the holidays with relatives in Baltimore, Maryland.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Rubin, and children, Betty Lou, and Sheldon Herschel, of Moncton, N.B., are visiting Mrs. Rubin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Maizen, 5810 Hutchison Street.

Miss Jean Streicher, Esplanade Avenue, has returned from Florida, and New York, where she spent two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Bing and family, formerly of Cornet Avenue, have taken up residence on Maplewood Avenue.

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## APPROACHING MARRIAGES

The approaching marriage of Miss Sara Herscovici, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolphe Herscovici, Bloomfield Avenue, to Cpl. David Lupu, stationed at Fort Totten, New York, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lupu, of New York; is announced, the marriage to take place in Montreal, on June 10.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. S. Koch, McNider Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Fay, to Pte. Sol. Wainberg, R.C.A.M.C., stationed in Montreal, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Wainberg, St. Lawrence Boulevard; the marriage to take place on June 3, at Beth David Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Glazer, Barclay Avenue, announce the engagement of their niece, Miss Ethel Segal, to Sol. Rosen, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosen, of Worcester, Mass., the marriage to take place on May 20, in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Nidzvitch, St. Urbain Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, to L.A.C. Sol. Choran, R.C.A.F., stationed at Dartmouth, N. S., son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Choran, Colonial Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Aron Golbaz, Hutchison Street, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Sylvia, to Hyman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lann, Clark Street.

Mrs. Fanny Yanow[illegible] Street, announces the engagement of her [illegible] to Alex, son of Mrs. E. Weiss, St. Urbain Street, and the late E. Weiss; the marriage to take place shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Branfman, of Brooklyn, N.Y., announce the engagement of their only daughter, Dora, to Cpl. Philip Bloomfield, R.C.A.F., stationed at Yarmouth, N. S., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Bloomfield, Laurier Avenue West.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Jones, Hutchison Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bertha, to Fred Adler, of Hutchison Street, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Adler, of Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hoffman, Westmount Boulevard, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Tai[illegible] Joseph, elder son of Mr. and M[illegible] Boris Rapoport, Dayton.

The engagement of Pearl, daughter of Mrs. A. Sacks, Barclay Avenue, and the late N. Sacks, to Saul, son of Mrs. T. Randolph, Bernard Avenue, and the late I. Randolph, is announced; the marriage to take place on June 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greener, St. Dominique Street, announce the engagement of his sister, Miss Minnie Greener, formerly of Montreal, now of New York, to Martin Goldberg, of New York, and New London, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fridhandler, Clark Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Millie, to Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Levitan, Esplanade Avenue.

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# Social Notes—Montreal

Mrs. M. Shlin, 725 Dawson Avenue, entertained at a bridge-tea for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Streicher, Esplanade Avenue.

Mrs. D. Goldman, 4133 Clark Street, entertained at a farewell tea for Miss Bella Clapholtz, who is leaving to reside in Toronto. Others present were: Mesdames B. Goldman, M. Goldman, C. Goldman, M. Cohen, S. Berke, S. Elias, M. Elias, Misses Beckie and Sophie Elias, and Ray Smulick.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Bloomfield, Laurier Avenue West, entertained at the First Seder: Mr. and Mrs. J. Braufman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rubin, and Miss Dora Braufman, all of Brooklyn, N.Y., the latter being the fiancee of Cpl. Philip Bloomfield, stationed at Yarmouth, N.S., who was at the Seder; also Misses Ruth, Bella, and Sylvia Bloomfield. Flowers were wired from overseas by Pte. M. Teitelbaum, C.A.O., brother of Mrs. Bloomfield.

Miss Gloria Shapiro, Dollard Avenue, entertained at tea for [illegible] of Toronto, Ont., formerly of Montreal, brides-elect of May; and Marjorie Mortimer, fiancee of Lionel Morris, a bride-elect of June. Miss Shapiro wore a powder-blue printed crepe dress; Miss Arbess, turquoise-blue crepe; Miss Temkin, a beige dress, with white trimming; and Miss Mortimer, rose-colored wool. There was a centre-piece of daffodils, irises, and carnations. Miss Ella May poured, and Miss Adele Berger served. Assisting were: Mrs. P. Shapiro, mother of the hostess; Mrs. J. Arbess, mother of Miss Arbess; Mrs. A. Cutler, an aunt of the hostess; Mrs. Edward Greenspoon, Mrs. Robert Goodman, and Miss Irene Wallerstein. Other guests were: Mrs. E. Steinberg and Mrs. Robert Rosen; and Misses Norma Carrick; Merle Browns, Evelyn Small, Ruth Koren, Sylvia Tepner, Sylvia Mortimer, Charlotte Garfinkle Eleanor Benjamin, Betty Sofin, Katherine Silver, Shirley Hubscher, Phyllis Lewis, Esther Wolofsky, and Suzann F. Cohen. Each honoree was presented with two matching cups and saucers.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Julius and son, Jack, and the former's mother, Mrs. Sara Julius, who were at the Mount Royal Hotel, for the past three weeks, have returned to New York. Entertaining for them were: Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Rosen, 4590 Jeanne Mance Street; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goldstein, 4586 Jeanne Mance Street; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Labell, Esplanade Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Katz, Wiseman Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Soretsky, Wiseman Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. David Katz, Maplewood Avenue. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] of Montreal, who were at the Mount Royal Hotel for the past three weeks, and left for their home in Montreal, on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Nadel, 111 Villeneuve Street West, gave a dinner party in celebration of their tenth wedding anniversary. Their guests were: Mr. and Mrs. H. Miller, Mrs. Nadel's parents; Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. M. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. B. Green, Mr. and Mrs. M. Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. M. Baron, Mr. and Mrs. S. Dunsky, Mrs. B. Cipes, Sol. Miller, Miss Sonia Segal, Paul Yunchim, Frances Green, and Teddy and Ernest Nadel, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Nadel. Mrs. Nadel wore a beige crepe dress, with a white rose in her hair, and a corsage of pink carnations. Mrs. H. Miller wore a printed jersey dress. A bouquet of red roses on the table was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. H. Miller. Mrs. Nadel gave her husband a gold wrist watch, and he gave her a diamond and platinum dinner ring. Mrs. M. Miller presented them with odd cups and saucers; Mrs. Cipes, with a candy dish hand-painted by her daughter, Miss Trudy Cipes; and Mrs. Nadel was given a compact by Mrs. Sol. Miller, who was in Baltimore, Maryland, at the time of the party, and unable to be present. Telegrams from Dr. N. Levine, of Ste. Agathe; and from Mr. and Mrs. B. Green, and Mrs. Cipes, were read.

Those who entertained for Mrs. Ephraim Shalinsky, formerly Miss Irene Luck, a bride-elect of March 18, were: Mesdames A. Turner and R. Goldman, at the home of Mrs. Turner, 5208 St. Urbain Street, tea presentation of a china breakfast set; Misses Loretta Miller and Rita Cohen, cup-and-saucer shower; Mesdames S. Luck, B. Goldman, A. Turner, S. Solomon, of Burlington, Vt., linen shower; Mrs. S. Boskin, luncheon presentation of a pair of silver candlesticks; Miss Mona Marcus, tea presentation of a dozen crystal glasses; Mrs. Leon Brownstein, Grosvenor Avenue, china and silver shower at the Queen's Hotel; Misses Freda Bass, Betty Rosen, Betty Seni, luncheon at El Morocco and presentation of a silver and crystal hors d'oeuvres dish with fork and spoon; Miss Rose Morris, tea at Eaton's, and presentation of a half-dozen pieces of silver flatware; Mrs. A. Roodman, Waverley Street, evening, with twenty-six guests, and presentation of a cut glass punch bowl and twelve glasses; Miss Rae Schmiro, theatre, tea and presentation of a crystal and amber picture frame; Mrs. M. Merovitch, Victoria Avenue, evening with fifteen guests, and presentation of a pair of crystal boudoir lamps; Mrs. Harry Feldman, Hutchison Street, luncheon at Eaton's, with twelve guests, and presentation of a clothes hamper; Mesdames H. Stober, M. Steinberg, M. Stober, tea at Eaton's, and presentation of a large picture frame; and Miss Maisie Shalinsky, theatre, supper and presentation of a silver tea set. Entertaining for Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Shalinsky were: Mr. and Mrs. Max Gruber, Davaar Avenue at a supper presentation of a crystal wine-set; Mr. and Mrs. Moe Simcoe, Elm Avenue, supper presentation of silver candlesticks; Mrs. M. Sobel, of Burlington, Vt., luncheon presentation of a pair of cut glass peacocks; and Mesdames M. Sobel and S. Solomon, both of Burlington, Vt., at a surprise stocking shower.

Captain Sydney Pappelbaum, aged twenty-five, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Pappelbaum, 3469 Prud'homme Avenue, Montreal, has been reported killed in action on the Western Front while serving in the Royal Canadian Artillery. At McGill University, where he was a prize-winning Commerce graduate of 1942, he was associated with the C.O.T.C. He qualified for his commission and branch of the service in Ontario at Brockville and Petawawa. Besides his parents, he is survived by a brother, Ernest; and two sisters, Mrs. I. Bucovetsky (Edythe), and Mrs. A. Ofshitzer (Sylvia). Shiva was at the home.

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## MARRIAGES

### PEARLMAN-PERCHANOK

The marriage of Miss Naomi R. Perchanok, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Perchanok, 144 Elliot Row, St. John, N.B., to Dr. Lyon N. Pearlman, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Pearlman, 312 Blackburn Avenue, Ottawa, Ont., took place in Montreal, at Shaare Zion Synagogue on January 21, at four o'clock, Rabbi Mayer Abramowitz officiating. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a blue afternoon dress, fashioned with a sweetheart neckline and side cascade, matching hat and a camellia corsage. Miss Shirley Pearlman, of Ottawa, sister of the groom, as maid of honor, wore a Chartreuse-colored dress, matching accessories, and a corsage of Talisman roses. B. Perchanok, brother of the bride, of St. John, N.B., was groomsman, and the ushers were: Morris Perchanok, of Halifax, N. S.; Sholom Pearlman, of Toronto, Ont.; Elliot Perchanok, of Calgary, Que.; and Jeffrey Pearlman, of Ottawa, Ont. The synagogue was decorated with spring flowers, palms and white satin ribbon. At the reception, the bride's mother, Mrs. Perchanok, wore a grey dress, with sequin trimming, fuchsia-colored accessories, and an orchid corsage; and Mrs. Pearlman, the groom's mother, wore a robin's-egg blue dress, matching accessories, and a corsage of Talisman roses. The bride and groom spent their honeymoon in Quebec City, Toronto, and Niagara Falls, the bride going away in a brown costume. They are living in Ottawa. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. M. Pearlman, D. Mirsky, H. Mirsky, Mr. and Mrs. L. Mirsky, Mr. and Mrs. D. Mirsky, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shuffer, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Seigler, Rabbi and Mrs. J. Rabin, Philip Stuchen, Martin Levinson, and L. Fine, of Ottawa, Ont.; Mrs. B. Dyment, Mrs. S. Saunders, Mrs. J. Pearlman, Miss Carla Jubas, Mr. and Mrs. M. Jubas, Dr. and Mrs. S. Pearlman, and Dr. and Mrs. D. Pearlman, of Toronto, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. R. Glass, of New York; Allen Rosenberg, of Winnipeg, Man.; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Perchanok, and J. N. Brager, of St. John, N.B. The bride, a graduate of Mount Allison University, was formerly chief dietician at the Jewish General Hospital in Montreal; and the groom is a graduate of the University of Toronto.

### SHALINSKY-LUCK

The marriage of Miss Irene Luck, daughter of H. Luck, 5454 St. Lawrence Boulevard, to Ephraim Shalinsky, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Shalinsky, 4586 Esplanade Avenue, took place at the home of Reverend H. Rotblatt, on March 18, at half-past six o'clock, Reverend H. Rotblatt officiating. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length princess gown of white panelled Chantilly lace and satin, with a Queen Anne neckline, long sleeves with pointed cuffs, straight skirt, and a long train. Her headdress was heart-shaped, of corded and pleated white net trimmed with seed pearls, and carried a Bible with a bouquet of gardenias, orchids, and baby's breath. Miss Maisie Shalinsky, sister of the groom, was maid of honor. She wore a princess style evening gown of pink tulle, with full skirt, and a corded pleated jacket with wide sleeves. Her headdress was a pale pink tulle and fuchsia-colored velvet doll's hat with pink veiling. George Leon Solomon, of Burlington, Vt., nephew of the bride, was page boy. Mac Bernstein was best man. Following a sweet table at the home of Reverend H. Rotblatt, a reception took place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. Turner, 5208 St. Urbain Street. Mrs. S. Luck, sister-in-law of the bride, who, with the bride's father, had given the bride away, wore an afternoon dress of fuchsia-colored crepe, with a sweetheart neckline, draped on the side and caught up with multi-coloured spring flowers, hat made of multi-coloured flowers, with a short veil, and purple accessories. Mrs. Shalinsky, mother of the groom, received in a two-piece tailored crepe suit, with blue trimmings, and a shoulder corsage of deep red roses and irises. For the wedding trip to Atlantic City; New York; and Burlington, Vt., the bride wore a beige dressmaker gabardine suit, brown jersey blouse, brown accessories, with a three-quarter-length fox coat, and a corsage of orchids. They will reside at 5454 St. Lawrence Boulevard. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. S. Solomon and son, George Leon; Mr. and Mrs. Max Sobel, Misses Daisy and Nettie Lapidow, and Ruth Meddy, all of Burlington, Vt.

### BROTT-COHEN

The marriage of Doris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Cohen, 5597 Dunmore Avenue, to Joseph E. Brott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brott, 219 Mount Royal Avenue West, took place in the Main Ballroom of the Mount Royal Hotel, on March 18, at two o'clock. Rev. Dr. H. Abramowitz officiating, assisted by Cantor N. Mendelson. The bride was followed by her parents, and the groom came down to meet her and brought her to the altar. She was gowned in white brocaded satin, fashioned on princess lines, with a yoke of net outlined with pearls, long sleeves pointed at the wrists, fitted bodice, and a full skirt ending in a scalloped three-yard train. Her full-length veil was fastened to a headdress of Calla lilies, outlined with orange blossoms, and she carried a prayer book with orchids and streamers. Miss Dora Zalkind, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor, in blue net, with a silver brocaded bodice; blue net veil, and fuchsia-colored flowers in her hair; and a bouquet of carnations and sweetpeas. Irving Brott was best man for his brother. The hall was decorated with standards of spring flowers and candelabra joined by white ribbons, and decorated with greenery and flowers, and there was an arch of spring flowers at the altar. Miss Minnie Kushner sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly". Mrs. Cohen, mother of the bride, received in a Chartreuse-colored gown in Grecian style, matching hat, trimmed with fuchsia-colored flowers, fuchsia gloves, and corsage of red roses; with Mrs. Brott, mother of the groom, in a mauve gown in Grecian style, with gold sequins, matching accessories, and a corsage of orchids. The bride and groom spent their honeymoon in New York, and Washington, D.C., the former travelling in a red tweed suit, with black accessories. They are living at 4795 Ridgevale Avenue. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. M. Goldsmith, of Pittsburg, Pa.; Mrs. H. Kaltman and daughter, Faygie, of Trenton, N.J.; Staff Sgt. N. Freeman, of New York; and A. Gold, of Toronto, Ont.

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## • MONTREAL MEETINGS •

• Formed for discussion of problems of psychiatric casualties, both while in the armed forces and later in their rehabilitation in civil life, the first association of psychiatrists the Maritimes has ever had has been established by Captain H. S. Sager, psychiatrist, R.C.A.M.C., who is acting chairman. Captain Sager is from Toronto and was transferred to M.D. 6 last September. He is stationed at the Nova Scotia Hospital, Dartmouth, where many psychiatric casualties of the three armed services are treated. This new development in M.D. 6 for interchange of ideas amongst psychiatrists of the three services and civilian psychiatrists "will likely be taken up by other army districts in Canada," Dr. Sager said. He is preparing a paper on the new association for The Nova Scotia Medical Bulletin. Dr. Sager received part of his training in psychiatric work in the U.S., and his neurological training at the Montreal Neurological Institute in Montreal.

• HADASSAH: Chapters meeting Monday, April 16, at 2:30, are: Adath Israel, at the home of Mrs. S. J. Cargo, 4970 Queen Mary Road, Hebrew minyan at 1:30; Central, bridge and mah jong at Judaean House, Mrs. M. Segal presiding; Deborah, at the home of Mrs. S. Steinberg, 5586 Canterbury Avenue; Kadimah, at the home of Mrs. I. Gelt, 5139 Durocher Avenue; Migdol, at the home of Mrs. H. A. Sinclair, 425 St. Joseph Boulevard West; Miriam Brainin Ortenberg, at the home of Mrs. R. Barsky, 774 McEachran Avenue, Mrs. J. Blicher leading a symposium; Mount Scopus, at the home of Mrs. E. J. Stein, 3584 Park Avenue; North End, at the home of Mrs. A. Goldstein, 1035 St. Viateur Street West; Queen Esther, at the home of Mrs. D. Spelsman, 305 McEachran Avenue; Rachel Levinson, at Shaar Hashomayim, Synagogue, Mrs. M. A. Fine, hostess; Shaare Zion, at the home of Mrs. R. Lash, 5419 Duquette Avenue; Young Ladies Zionist, at the home of Mrs. M. Meidel, 6 Pagnuelo Avenue; Chapters meeting Monday [illegible] Shiller, at the home of Mrs. A. Fleming, 591 Grosvenor Avenue; Edith Kanigsberg, at the home of Mrs. J. Pearson, 1619 Van Horne Avenue West; Esther Rachel Noverich, social, at 5334 Park Avenue, Mrs. S. L. Long, hostess; Rachel Lea Ethel, at home of Mrs. Kenneth Pinsky, 5678 Clark Street. Chapter meeting Tuesday, at 2:30: Shoshana, at the home of Mrs. H. Vechsler, 746a Querbes Avenue. Chapters meeting Tuesday, at 8:30: Emos Israel, at the home of Mrs. S. Goldstein, 755 Bloomfield Avenue, friends invited; Chapters meeting Tuesday, at 8:30: Eta Cohen, at the home of Mrs. J. Weiner, 6034 Hutchison Street; Judith at the home of Mrs. H. Gold, 213 St. Joseph Boulevard West; Rachel Anna Leavy, bridge at Judaean House, Mrs. I. Grotsky and Mrs. J. Heller, hostesses.

• PIONEER WOMEN'S Organization has arranged a package sale to be held Monday afternoon and evening, April 30, at the Chevra Kadisha Community Hall, Mrs. S. Stilman, convener. Raffles for $100 Victory Bond and return trip to New York will be drawn. Admission free.

• TEMPLE EMANU-EL. Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi: Service, Friday, April 13 at 8:15. Lecture: "Let The Fear Of Heaven Be Upon You"; Saturday, at 11:30, sermonette, "The Day Is Short", Stephen Asch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Asch, will be called to the Reading of the Law this Friday evening and Saturday morning in observance of his bar-mitzvah. Temple Youth interfaith meeting is on Tuesday, April 17 at 8:30 p.m. Speakers: Rev. Dr. Lloyd Smith, Rev. Leonard Griffith, Rabbi Stern. Guests will be the Young People of Dominion Douglas United Church. Screening, "The World We Want To Live In", musical program, social. Friends invited. Conveners: Ralph Latar, Sonia Mecklenberg, Harry Levine, Rita Gerber, Shirley Hollinger, Jocelyn Isaacs. Temple Tombola is on Wednesday, April 18, at 8:00 p.m. Drawings for prizes. Henry Benson, chairman; Sisterhood, Mrs. G. Davis and Mrs. D. Miller; Brotherhood, Garner Burnstein, are in charge. Annual closing luncheon at Temple Sisterhood, on Tuesday, May 8, will have as speaker, Mrs. Jerome Harris, president, New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

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• HOSPITAL OF HOPE Units on Monday, April 16, are: Tevia Jacobs, at the home of Mrs. I. Sheiner, 770 Wiseman Avenue; Goodwill, at 5438 Esplanade Avenue, hostesses, Mesdames B. Morants and H. Gayer; Tikvah, at the home of Mrs. M. Kolber, 885 Stuart Avenue, social; Chasie Small, at the home of Mrs. M. Cohen, 5257 Queen Mary Road. On Tuesday: Sara B. Stein, at the home of Mrs. H. Hershon, 682 Querbes Avenue; J. Manolson, at the home of Mrs. W. Klar, 4326 St. Urbain Street; I. J. Borrin, at the home of Mrs. N. Nissny, 106 Laurier Avenue East; Mordecai Baker, at the home of Mrs. L. Rodgingsky, 121 Lemieux Avenue West; Yosef Pinsky, at the home of Mrs. C. Letovsky, 6588 Papineau Avenue; Moishe Aron Berlin, at the home of Mrs. A. Goldenblatt, 745a Querbes Avenue; Chele Moishe Hirsh, at the home of Mrs. B. Tiasfsky, 5943 Hutchison Street, guest speaker, Dr. D. R. Backer. On Wednesday: Saibel Rubin, at the home of Mrs. A. Blumenthal, 237 Mount Royal Avenue West; Victory, at the home of 3515 Durocher Avenue, hostesses, Mesdames R. Levine and B. Borosky; Fidelis, at the home of Mrs. M. Curtis, 6795 Darlington Avenue, book review by Mrs. Anna Silverstone; Mothers, at the home of Mrs. S. Bazar, 4376 Melrose Avenue; N.D.G., at the home of Mrs. M. Silverman, 5327 Queen Mary Road; Fraid, at the home of Mrs. B. Bellman, 4165 Clark Street; Pearl Kahansky, at the home of Mrs. B. Gross, 5982 Park Avenue; Hebrew Victory Club, at the home of Mrs. Sally Weinstein, 5856 Jeanne Mance Street. On Thursday: Israel Mayoff, at the home of Mrs. S. Rosen, 67 Nelson Avenue; Devorah Hinda Medoff, at the home of Mrs. S. Fish, 56 Bagg Avenue; Chaim Revzen, at the home of Mrs. B. Revzen, 4819 Hutchison Street, guest speaker, Dr. D. R. Backer. Henry Shuster Unit, on Tuesday, April 17 at 1421 Mackay Street, hostesses, Mesdames Lewis Friedlander and S. Druker.

• GOOD WILL CLUB of Papineau is sponsoring a bridge and musicale in aid of the Child Rescue Fund and War Efforts, to be held at Chevra Kadisha Synagogue, on April 18, at 8:30 p.m. Joseph Rimer, trump show entertainer, will be master of ceremonies; Alex Cohen, tenor concert singer; Miss Lillian Abrams and Robert Wise, duet; Dorothy Smilestein, elocutionist; Misses Joyce Rimer and Eva Wolf, accompanists. Hostesses are Mesdames I. Farlow, A. Cohen, S. Goldberg, J. Rimer, M. Smilestein, M. Nudelman.

• BONA FIDE Victory Club were hostesses to one hundred and thirty-five at a money shower and card party, raising $300 which was distributed as follows: Canadian Jewish Red Cross, $150; Moess Chittim, $35; United Palestine Appeal (Child Refugee), $50; Save the Child Fund, $20; parcels sent overseas to the fighting forces, $45. Other donations raised by fem. socials and contributions were given to: Canadian Aid to Russia Fund, $50; Chocolate Fund for Prisoners of War Overseas, $25; Greek Relief, $25; Chinese Relief, $10. Ten thousand cigarettes have been sent overseas, and are being sent regularly; $25 a month is spent on overseas parcels; the club knits for the armed forces, fills ditty bags for the Merchant Navy, distributes comforts to the men in the Military Hospitals. Mrs. M. Chandler is president; Mrs. A. Chandler, secretary; Mrs. B. Bolotin, treasurer; others, Mesdames S. Lippman, C. Axman, S. Abramson, H. Edelstein, T. Wolfe, I. Herman, A. Barnoff, H. Kaufman, I. Small, I. Tannenbaum, F. Ralph, W. Joseph, I. Goldenberg, A. Ostroff, L. Cohen, H. Raider, N. Weisbord.

• Pupils of Alice Postner, Lic. Music, McGill University, who will be heard in a recital at the Jewish People's School, on Sunday afternoon, April 15, are Sybil Goldberg, Belle Ginsberg, Pearl Mintzberg, Elsie Ginsberg, Lila Kleinberg.

• The Jews of Montreal will honor the martyrs of the battle of the Warsaw ghetto at the second annual memorial meeting which is being sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress on Wednesday evening, April 18th, at 8:30 p.m., at the Baron Byng High School. Baruch Zukerman, director of the World Jewish Congress, will be guest speaker. Rabbi H. Cohen, will officiate over a religious memorial service. Michael Garber, K. C., president of the Congress in Eastern Canada, will preside. Rabbi Chaim Denberg, of Chevra Kadisha Synagogue, will officiate at the students' meeting on the same day, at 6:00 p.m.

• NEW VICTORY Club sent thirty-two parcels and $21 worth of cigarettes, amounting in all to $128.24, to men in the services. Acknowledgment was received from: I. Shamovitch, Spr. Bernard Simimovitch, Gordon Udashkin, L.A.C. I. Kardish, L.A.C. M. Kardish, Tpr. D. Melnick, M. Ovsiutsky, Sgt. H. Axler, I. Klepper, H. Mintz. Meetings took place at the homes of Mrs. B. Krukower, 6135 Durocher Avenue; and Mrs. M. Haber, 4965 St. Urbain Street.

## A JEWISH BATTALION

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With the formation of Jewish Infantry Battalions in the Palestine Regiment this was to be changed Many thousands of young men were given the opportunity of functioning as a large body and forming the nucleus of a Jewish Army. They have not yet seen action in the field, but are striving for the day when as a unit they will be able to fight their enemy face to face. This was the object of their enlistment, and with this aim in view they volunteered.

The story of the specific battalion I here wish to describe covers a period of over two years, and divides into three periods: while stationed in their home country; as a garrison in a conquered land; and while training in the desert for active participation in the field.

In the homeland, with the regular week-end leave, the soldier has the opportunity of visiting his home and is not bound to the narrow interests of his unit lines. Corporate social life is not developed to its full extent, as he is always looking forward to the day of his reunion with his family. This is specially noticeable when the soldiers are not actually fighting, but are performing base duties. The battalion was then scattered and functioned as separate companies, each carrying out its duties of guards and regular routine jobs.

The army had to cater for the spiritual and cultural welfare only while on duty. Religious services were held, and the *Oneg Shabbat*, Friday evening social meetings, have become a tradition in all the Palestinian Jewish units. The observant soldier could attend divine services at a Synagogue in the vicinity of his camp, and was provided with kosher meat by the community. A group of orthodox men organized themselves and looked after the successful execution of their needs; the rest carrier on in the usual manner.

Day in and day out they continued with their activities and when confronted with problems of local importance solved them within the military surroundings in the same way as the civilian in his neighbourhood.

A change took place on the day the battalion was given the order to move as a unit and proceed beyond the borders of home. Now for the first time they felt that a large unit was leaving its country to participate in the fight for the freedom of their people. United in purpose and resolve to the possibility of exercising their duty as a fighting force, they proceeded with mixed feelings. They were to leave their families behind and go forth to face the enemy. A grand send-off was given them, with the prayer on the lips of their leaders that they might meet our suffering brethren, deliver them and bring them comfort.

For the first time a divine parade service was organized for the whole battalion; with hearts beating and tears in their eyes the Prayer for Departure was recited. A *Sefer Torah* was presented by the Jewish community with the blessing that they take it with them in battle and return with it in safety. They travelled hundreds of miles to take up their new task. At last they arrived at their destination, not a battle-field but a vital line of communications. Here they were to guard and protect the garrison.

Though disappointed at not being given the opportunity of actual fighting, they nevertheless attended to their duties with utmost faithfulness. In order to compensate for this situation they set out to strengthen their spirit in a two-fold manner. A Soldier's Welfare Club was instituted by the men, and a Military Synagogue was established.

The Jewish civilian community, having been uprooted from their normal life by the vicissitudes of war, were unable to undertake the responsibility of running such an institution, and it fell on the shoulders of the serving-men. They were here given the possibility of executing their second task, namely, to come to the aid of their brethren. Several thousands of the local population, having been exiled, were now returning from the concentration camp. Many hundreds had died, leaving orphans and widows. The children, for years without education and undernourished, drew the attention of our soldiers.

The Transport Units started a Hebrew School, where the children were provided with their elementary education and sustained by additional nourishment. When the battalion arrived they at once searched for expert teachers and the school was enlarged. At present over 500 pupils are attending the first five classes of an elementary school. Civilian teachers have been trained to carry on with the work, which has proved most successful. Other soldiers organized a youth movement of working boys and girls.

The third period is characteristic for its change of environment and activity. The battalion had already been in town for over three months. During this period the High Festivals were observed by all with zeal and elevated spirit. The Sabbath was declared as the official day of rest, and divine services were held regularly in the Synagogue at the Jewish Services' Club or at the battalion. All services assumed the full traditional form to the extent of reciting *Selichot* and fasting on the appropriate occasions. The establishment of a kosher kitchen for a large number of men, chiefly from the religious settlements in Palestine, was taking form. Cultural activities were intensified.

Everything was developing peacefully, but for one obstacle, the men were not getting satisfaction out of their military career. Instead of becoming regular infantry fighting soldiers, they were entrusted with base duties, which important as they were for the war effort, could not satisfy men who had not yet seen action and were clamouring for it. Secondly, they felt that the opportunity to utilise their abilities to combat the enemy in actual fighting was debarred them and they were losing interest in their work and were becoming restless.

A change had to take place, and it came after the High Festivals. The battalion was given the opportunity to train with new weapons, and the men were moved from the town area to a hilly stretch of land in the desert. Day after day every soldier felt he was increasing his military knowledge and efficiency to participate in war operations. They arose in the morning with enthusiasm to carry out the day's programme, and returned fatigued, knowing that they had progressed a step further. This satisfaction was noticeable in their leisure hours when individuals took up courses of study which interested them, and groups were formed to further their general aims. Organized religious life was active and the number of visitors to the Synagogue increased. On festivals and special occasions Parade Services were attended in large numbers, and prayers were recited daily. A large hall was allotted by the Commanding Officer for the Synagogue, and an Ark for the Scroll of the Law was ordered from *Eretz-Israel*. A special feature was the *Soudak-Shelishit* on Sabbath, when Chasidic tunes were sung and a lecture on a topic of interest delivered. In the Synagogue organized study circles functioned successfully, studying Bible, Talmud and other books of Jewish thought and literature. The kosher kitchen increased in size, and became an integral part of the battalion routine establishment. On *Pesach* no leaven was used and matzah and kosher meat was provided for the whole battalion during the festival. The *Seder* united all the hundreds of men, who solemnly assembled in a large hall to commemorate the freedom of our people and kindled the hope for the future.

After a few months of training, however, when the efficiency of the men was reaching perfection and the military authorities expressed their satisfaction at the standard achieved, an order was given from higher authority for the additional weapons to be returned and the battalion reverted to its previous status. Training was limited, and other interests had to be found to uphold the morale of the men. Meanwhile the successful Allied Armies were invading and hitting the enemy hard, but the Jewish infantry battalions were not to take part in the venture. The establishment of a Jewish Army was still being pressed for in the political spheres and the door was not shut. When that day should come, the battalion felt that they were to be ready fit and prepared.

In the meantime the soldier was also looking ahead to the day when hostilities would cease and he would return to his home. The fate of our brethren in Europe placed a great responsibility on the shoulders of the remnant in Zion. The soldier feels that he must continue with the pioneering enterprises and prepare for the arrival of his people. With this in view and with their own future to be considered, groups have organized for post-war agricultural and urban settlements. Plans are being drawn up and funds collected to enable these men who volunteered for the cause to return and continue with the upbuilding and reconstruction of their homeland.

They were facing the future patiently with courage and determination, and at last the news long waited for reached them. On the morrow of the Jewish New Year, 5706, the announcement was made that the British Government had authorised the formation of a Jewish Brigade Group to take part in active operations. Simultaneously the battalions received their orders to move, and with elevated spirit they prepared to take part in the formation of this large unit and go forth to participate in the struggle against the enemy, who has caused so much suffering to their people.

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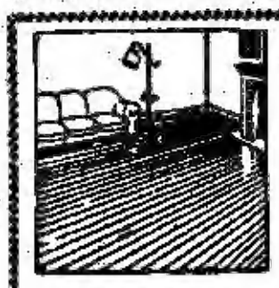
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# THE HAMMER

*By E. Louise Mally*

Inside the tent it was cool, but the glare of the abruptly setting sun was hot on the scanty vegetation outside, and the messenger had just come in. He wiped his forehead, pushing back the headpiece he wore.

Heber said, "I have heard of this before. There is peace between Sisera, the Captain of the Canaanites, and my house. Why should I send my young men to fight under Barak the son of Abinoam against the Canaanites? Why should I send my young men to be killed? The Canaanites have chariots of iron. We cannot defeat them."

The messenger wiped his forehead again. "There is peace between you and the oppressors of Israel, and your young men are not killed. But for twenty years now this Sisera, this Captain of the Hosts, has oppressed the land and killed the young men and taken the wealth of Israel for the luxury of his king, and driven off the herds of Israel, so that our children starve. And now our people have risen up, and the hosts assemble near Mt. Tabor, and Barak the captain calls to you that you may remember that you are among the great men of Israel—that you are the son of Horab, who was the father-in-law of Moses. Surely you have not forgotten the Lord of Israel; surely you will have compassion upon your people."

Heber crouched fat among the cushions of his couch. "There is peace between me and Sisera, and friendship. My children do not starve."

From the back of the tent, a woman's voice said, "Our children do not starve. Only my brother's first born son had his thumbs and his great toes cut off by the orders of Sisera, your friend, and he was tied to a stake in the middle, in the market place, and left to the sun to die and died. You saw it and I saw it." Had we could do nothing. But now Barak assembles the hosts."

Heber turned to the woman. "Bring a cup of wine, Jael, for the young soldier—he has come a great distance. And remember that a woman's voice should not be loud in her husband's tent. Your brother's son was a young fool who led a thousand men against the host of the Canaanite. What could he hope from his folly but death and torture? I told him then—as I tell Barak now by the mouth of his messenger: the Canaanites have chariots of iron our chariots are of wood. How can we defeat them? Best to be at peace with the oppressor, and the tax will fall less heavily upon the rich man who is the friend of the captain of the Canaanites."

The woman Jael came forward out of the shadows. The young man had not seen her before—she was younger than her husband, and beautiful in the full strength of her womanhood. She was wearing a dress of some sort of light grayish stuff, and she walked quietly. But her full lips were compressed as though in pain or anger.

"My brother's first born son was the playmate of my childhood. I was the first to hold him in my arms when he was born—and I but a child tagging after my mother. And he died in the sun of noon-day, and I could not help him. Nor have I forgotten from what people I spring." She turned back to a table that was in the shadows, and poured wine from a skin bottle into two cups, and handed one to the messenger. Deliberately, she spilled wine from the second cup upon the ground. "The armies of Sisera will be destroyed," she said; "even as the earth drinks up the juice of the grape that I spill on it." She lifted the cup to her lips and drained off the rest of the wine. "From my husband, Heber, expect nothing. He has forgotten Moses. He has forgotten himself. My father did not guess him no poor of memory when he gave me to him, a bride. But I hate Sisera and all the hosts of the Canaanites, for the people's sake, and for the sake of my kinsman. And it may be that even my hatred will fight beside the hosts."

The messenger said, "The people assemble in hidden places. There are women also who fight with the hosts. And it was Deborah, the wife of Lapidoth, who counseled Barak to assemble the men of Israel."

Heber rose and came over to his wife, and put his hand on his wife's shoulder. "The voice of my wife is the voice of my enemy, but she is my wife and the mother of my sons. And we are at peace with Sisera. See to it that you do not forget that, my wife."

"I shall not forget," Jael said.

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It was three days later that word came to the tent of Heber that, despite their chariots of iron, the hosts of the Canaanites had been utterly defeated by the people of Israel. Only Sisera was not among the men who were killed. And he was a great captain.

Jael said to the soldier who brought the news, "My husband is with the flocks. It may that he will join the hosts, now that the Canaanites are defeated. Or it may be that he will be afraid, since Sisera is still alive. It may be that the King of Canaan will give Sisera another army. And my husband is at peace with Sisera."

The soldier was of Jael's distant kin. "You have a bitter tongue in your mouth, Jael," he said to her. He leaned heavily on his long spear — the sweat ran down his face and half naked body. "Your father has not forgotten you, Jael, and your husband knows the strength of your father's sons. But would you not find greater peace in your husband's house if you spoke softly?"

Jael said, "I have cause to be bitter, I have not forgotten my father's house, nor the people of my native land. But my husband eats at the table of the oppressor. And I may not hope that he will put me away, for I am the mother of his sons, and before seven moons are past, I will bear him another child. But I am the daughter of my house, and I speak as the Lord of Israel puts it into my mouth to speak. In all else I am dutiful in my husband's house."

The soldier who was of Jael's kind said, "I must go back to the hosts. There will be very few stragglers, I think, and none of them passing your tent. Yet if there should be — your husband and his young men are with the flocks."

Jael's mouth was a line of bitterness. "We are friends with Sisera. Yet if stragglers come—the workman builds me a new cradle against the day of my confinement. It may be that even a carpenter's hammer will defend me against the oppressors of my people."

The soldier said, "The workman is well on in years." He had not understood his kinswoman. "Yet I think you should be safe enough. The hosts are but three hours away, coming down from Mt. Tabor."

After sunset the old man, the carpenter, came in. He had a hammer in his hand, and nails in the pocket of his apron. He said, "I went down to the well, in the cool of the evening, and in the distance I saw a man whom I have seen at Heber's table. I think he is Sisera, the captain of the Canaanites. He is alone and on foot."

Jael laughed and took the hammer out of the old man's hand. "Leave your nails and hammer here, lest you rust them, and go to the well and drink deep, for it has been a parching day. And bring me the skin of milk that is in the well, and the dish of butter. And fear not—I shall give a fitting entertainment to the friend of my husband."

She went out of the tent, then. Not too far off she could see the man—a dark man, clean shaven, and with a breastplate of skins that swung slapping across his bare shoulders. Jael went out to meet him.

And the man said, "Are you not Jael, the wife of Heber?"

Jael said, "I am that woman, Sisera. Come into my tent, and do not be afraid." And she took off a cloak that she had around her shoulders and covered him, for the evening was cool. And they went into the tent.

Sisera said, "We have been defeated. But my king will give me another army. Am I safe here? I must sleep, though ten thousand Israelites were howling at my heels."

"I myself will watch over your sleep," Jael said. "Fear not."

Sisera said, "I must sleep. But my king will give me an army again, and there will be not one man living of the sons of Israel except those who love me. Give me to drink, for I am thirsty."

And in the sun at mid-day, the young leader of the Israelites, parched and bleeding, had said, "Give me water," and Sisera, in his seat of judgment had laughed, and ordered the soldiers to prod the bound man with their spears, gently, so that he might not die too quickly.

But Jael brought milk to the Captain of the Canaanites, and new baked bread and butter cool from the spring. And he ate and drank. And then he stretched out on the couch, under Jael's cloak, and slept.

And Heber would return from the flocks by morning. And he would give the Captain of the Canaanites a guard, and the king might well give him another army. Though he had lost this battle, Sisera was a great captain.

Slowly, Jael picked up the hammer and one of the nails that the workman had left. They were alone in the tent.

A man's skull is thin at the temples.

The hammer was not a heavy hammer — she was not sure she could kill him with the hammer. But a man's skull is thin at the temples. And Sisera was sleeping heavily.

Softly, Jael crossed the tent floor. Sisera did not move when the nail touched his temple. It was a heavy nail, sharp pointed. Jael lifted the hammer. Her eyes were hard in her head — her lips sucked in against her teeth.

And she swung the hammer. The man's body arched convulsively, but at the second stroke he lay still.

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The Bureau will register all Jews who were domiciled in Holland on May 10, 1940, the day of the Nazi invasion, and who are now living in Holland or in allied or neutral countries. The registration will include Jews of foreign nationality and so-called "stateless" Jews who may still be in hiding in the occupied northern provinces of the country.

As soon as more Dutch communities are liberated, their municipal authorities will send to the Bureau the names of Jews who have come out of hiding, while Jewish committees in foreign countries are collecting information concerning Netherlands Jews who have escaped with their lives during the occupation.

One of the Bureau's most important tasks is to restore family ties that have been torn apart by the Nazi persecutions. Parents and children, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, who seek information regarding the fate of their relatives may turn to the Bureau and register the necessary data. It is hoped that in this manner many families whose members are now dispersed over the world, may be reunited.

To make the plan as successful as is possible under the circumstances, all registrants are asked to draw up complete lists of relatives and friends whom they believe living in countries outside Germany, or German-occupied territory. For the moment, no information is registered concerning persons who are definitely known to have been deported to Germany, Poland or Czechoslovakia.

Another organization that is working to reunite dispersed Jewish families is the Netherlands Association for Assistance to Jewish Minors, whose headquarters have been established in Tilburg, in North-Brabant province. Its main purpose is to restore Jewish children to their parents if these are still alive, or else to their nearest relatives. If no such relationship can be found, the association will arrange for support and education of the orphaned children.


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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Prussin (nee Betty Speyer), 4790 Ridgevale Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 24, a daughter, Carole Ilse; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolphe Speyer, Prince Albert Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. I. Oppenheimer, Querbes Avenue; and great-granddaughter of Mrs. Rose Boro, of New York.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Golfman (nee Freda Resnick), 6211 Lennox Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 20, a daughter, Rhona Susan, sister of Robert William; granddaughter of S. Resnick, Northmount Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Sherback (nee Ray Soroka), Van Horne Avenue, at the Woman's General Hospital, on March 22, a daughter, Linda Pearl, sister of Harvey; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Soroka, of Lachine; and of Mrs. T. Sharback, Darlington Avenue, and the late H. Sherback.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Rodowitz (nee Doris Kovshoff), 2037 Redpath Avenue, a son, Gerald Howard, brother of Estabelle, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 27. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. Kovshoff, Lajoie Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Radowitz, of Europe. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. Radowitz, McEachran Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Halickman (nee Connie Rottenberg), 4785 Ridgevale Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 29, a daughter, Shirley Eileen; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rottenberg, Esplanade Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Halickman, Van Horne Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gampel (nee Lylia Glazer), Pine Avenue East, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 28, a son, Phillip, premature; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. T. Glazer, Jeanne Mance Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Gampel, de Bullion Street. Godparents are Miss Fay Gampel, de Bullion Street; and Mrs. Umansky, Esplanade Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Moe Kohl (nee Sylvia Lobell), Deacon Road, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 28, a son, Allan Norman.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Moe Trister (nee Ann Walker) Park Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 27, a son, Neil Leslie, brother of Bernard; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker, St. Urbain Street; and of Mrs. H. Trister, Querbes Avenue, and the late H. Trister.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe Bookman (nee Rose Kapustin), 5386 Park Avenue, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on March 29, a daughter, Eleanor, sister of Bernard and Harvey; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kapustin, Durocher Avenue; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. B. Bookman, of Montreal.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Shapiro (nee Channa Laing), Dorval Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 24, a son, Samuel Ian, brother of Peter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Libman (nee Ida Elenbogen), 5778 Trans Island Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 21, a son, Marvin Manuel, brother of Allan; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. I. Elenbogen, City Hall Avenue; and of Mrs. R. Libman, Park Avenue, and the late A. Libman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kligman, Willowdale Avenue, are the godparents.

Born, to L.A.C. Ralph Shapson, stationed at Longue Point, and Mrs. Shapson (nee Kate Katz), Van Horne Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 29, a son; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Katz, Van Horne; and of Mr. and Mrs. A. Shapson, Bloomfield Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Cowan (nee Michele Reiskind), Queen Mary Road, a daughter, Victoria Branda, at the Jewish General Hospital, on March 23. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Reiskind, Queen Mary Road; and Mr. and Mrs. H. Cowan, of Manchester, England.

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# CHILDREN'S Birthday Parties

Private and Mrs. David Segal, 3856 Decarie Boulevard, gave a family party for their son, Jason Wolfe, who was a year old. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Segal and Mr. and Mrs. I. Sokoloff, were there; his godparents, Mrs. B. M. Marcus and Samuel Sokoloff; his uncles and aunts, Mrs. Samuel Sokoloff, and son, William; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Segal, Mrs. J. Rubin, and Irving Segal. Jason Wolfe wore a white and blue wool suit, with white socks and brown shoes. Mrs. Segal wore a blue crepe dress with a fuchsia-colored flower in her hair. The birthday cake was white and blue with blue candles.

Doreen Perel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Perel, 435 Beaumont Street, celebrated her sixth birthday with the members of her kindergarten class at Adath Israel Synagogue parochial school. She brought candy and a birthday cake which her teacher, Miss Maytie Deitcher cut. The cake was made of three layers, white, pink, and chocolate, iced in white and blue, and trimmed with pink, and pink candles. Doreen wore a dusty pink jumper and a pale blue wool sweater. She is the sister of Cheryl, nearly two, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Mayoff, 4864 Clark Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. M. Perel, 1606 Ducharme Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Milstein, St. Urbain Street, gave a family tea for their son, Leonard, who was one year old. His grandparents, Mrs. Beatie Winikoff, and Jacob Milstein, were there; his uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bonner, Mr. and Mrs. A. Milstein, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cohen, Mesdames Molly Ikeman, P. Goldman, H. Smiley, S. Winikoff; Sol. and I. Milstein; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Ditkofsky; and Leonard's cousins, Louis Antecol, Saryl and Hedy Besner, Stanley and Ronald Smiley, Melvin Cohen; and Daniel Ditkofsky. Leonard wore a white and blue cotton suit, with matching socks and white shoes; and Mrs. Milstein wore a lime-colored crepe afternoon dress. The birthday cake was white, with blue holders and white candles, and a pink inscription reading, "Happy Birthday, Leonard".

Mr. and Mrs. Moe Bronstein, Dornal Avenue, entertained at a birthday party for their son, Ivan Cecil, who was ten years old. Present were his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Markham; his aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sabloff, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Libitz, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Koch; and Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Levenstone, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Solomon; and Mrs. S. N. Taylor, of Toronto, Ont.; his sister, Audrey Constance; and Irma and Leonard Sabloff, Florence and Sharon Libitz, Phyllis and Alvin Koch, Philip Levenstone, Claire Moscovitch, Arthur Solomon, and Lawrence Schlaer. Mrs. Bronstein wore a black crepe dress, with sequins, and a corsage of red roses. The table held a centrepiece of yellow roses and the decorations were blue and yellow. The birthday cake was white, pink, and blue, with yellow and blue candles, and an inscription reading, "Happy Birthday to Ivan Cecil". Irma Pat Sabloff and Audrey Constance Bronstein assisted. Pictures were taken.

Mr. and Mrs. Moe Miller, 111 Villeneuve Street West, gave a party for their daughter, Louise, who was one year old. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Baron, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Miller, were there; her uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. I. Nadel, and sons, Teddy and Ernest; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Miller, and Allan, Irwin, Munroe, and Frances Miller; and Arnold and Rose Baron. Louise wore a pink smocked dress, with pink socks and white shoes, and Mrs. Miller wore a two-piece purple suit. The birthday cake was white and pink with pink candles.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Greenspoon, Bonavista Avenue, gave a party for their daughter, Janet Helen, who was two years old. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Isaacs and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Greenspoon, were there; her godparents, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Fenster; her uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berecovitch, Mr. and Mrs. M. Katz, and daughter, Lenore; and Mr. and Mrs. E. Greenspoon, Miss Hattie Greenspoon; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Miller, and Miss Flora Levy. Janet Helen wore a white dress smocked in blue, with a white and blue hair-ribbon, white socks and white shoes. Mrs. Greenspoon wore a blue printed crepe dress. The birthday cake was pink with pink candles.

# CLASS IN COOKERY

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Cream well one-half cup shortening, one-half cup sugar, one egg, and one-half teaspoon salt. Add enough flour to make a soft dough. Bake in moderate oven for ten minutes. Mix one pound cheese, three egg yolks, the juice of half a lemon and add sugar to taste. Place this on top of cake and bake another ten minutes in moderate oven. Beat whites of eggs with one-half cup sugar and spread on top of the cheese. Sprinkle with chopped nuts if desired, and bake again in the oven for ten minutes.

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In loving memory of our dear father, Michael Stone, who passed away the second day of Iyar, 1938. Ever remembered and sadly missed by his children.

In ever loving memory of a dear wife and mother, Fanny Herman, who passed away April 12, 1944. Sadly missed and ever remembered by her husband, Harry; children, Richard, Helen, and Peggy; and grandchildren, Carol Elaine and Floyd.

## DEATHS

**Mrs. Sarah Aiken Levi passed away on April 3, in her 65th year. She is survived by two sons, Max and Joseph Aiken; and one daughter, Mrs. Aaron Sugar (Rose). The funeral took place at Benjamin's Chapel, and interment was at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue cemetery. Mrs. Levi was a member of Toronto Hebrew Free School, Central Chapter of Hadassah, and D'Arcy Street Talmud Torah.**

**Miss Sylvia Millman, of Chatham, died suddenly on March 27, at her home, in her twenty-second year. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Millman. The funeral took place at Benjamin's Chapel, and interment was at Roselawn Cemetery. Miss Millman was a member of Young Judaea and Hadassah organizations; was active in Red Cross work, and was a blood donor several times.**

# *Social Notes — Toronto*

Mrs. Laura Berman, of Montreal, Que., visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Gringorten, Connaught Circle, for the holidays.

Mrs. Ralph J. Werblow, of Buffalo, N.Y., and Mrs. S. Gross, of Passaic, N.J., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gutmann, St. Clement's Avenue, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fullan, Edgewood Crescent, spent the holidays with the latter's mother, Mrs. M. Markus, of Montreal, Que.

Mrs. Charles Benjamin, Avenue Road, left to visit her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Benjamin, of Lethbridge, Alta.

Miss Florence Blumenthal, Lauder Avenue, left to spend two months with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Mitchell, of Beverley Hills. En route, she will spend several days in Winnipeg, Man., and Vancouver, B.C., where she will visit her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Esmond Landau.

Mrs. Max Solomon, Lyndhurst Avenue, has returned from Miami, Florida, where she visited her mother-in-law, Mrs. H. Solomon.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Gertzbein, Spadina Road, have as their guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Weiner, and children, of Chicago, Ill.

Dr. and Mrs. Allan A. Bassett, of Manitoulin Island, are visiting the latter's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hershoran, Vesta Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Edelstein, of Brooklyn, N.Y., have returned home after visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Rosen, Ridgehill Drive.

Leading Aircraftsman Edward Seligman, R.C.A.F., who is stationed in Winnipeg, Man., spent two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Seligman, Montrose Avenue.

Private Betty Teacher, C.W.A.C., who is stationed in Ottawa, Ont., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Teacher, Hillsdale Avenue West.

Signalman David Gold, R.C.S.C., who is stationed in Simcoe, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Gold, Westmount Avenue.

Captain Benjamin Henry, who is stationed at Debert, N.S., is spending his furlough with his wife, who lives on Rosemary Road.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Weiner and daughter, Gloria, Lytton Boulevard, spent several weeks in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Dobrofsky, of Montreal, Que., have returned after spending the holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Cooper, Douglas Drive.

Sapper Bernard Krestel, R.C.E., who is stationed in Chilliwack, B.C., is spending his embarkation leave with his wife and family, Rusholme Road.

Mrs. Morton Pearlman, of Cleveland, Ohio, spent several days with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. N. Haberman, St. Clement's Avenue. Technical Sergeant Morton Pearlman is overseas with the U.S. Air Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Axmith, Castlefield Avenue, were in Montreal, Que., at the Mount Royal Hotel, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Miller, formerly of 63 Bernard Avenue, have taken up residence at 1660 Bathurst Street.

Leading Aircraftman John Zaldin, R.C.A.F., who is stationed in Newfoundland, is on furlough, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Zaldin, Coolmine Road.

Dr. and Mrs. Mark Zimmerman, Bathurst Street, have as their guest the latter's sister, Mrs. R. Moss, of Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs. A. Wagman, Rosebury Road, has returned from Miami, Florida, where she visited her mother, Mrs. H. Solomon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Garalick, and their son-in-law and daughter, Captain and Mrs. Benjamin Henry, Rosemary Road, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. B. Schachar, of Brantford.

Mrs. A. Wenoke, of Buffalo, N.Y., is visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gutmann, St. Clement's Avenue.

Mrs. I. Nodelman, St. Clarens Avenue, is leaving the city to take up residence in Los Angeles, Cal.

Miss Myrna Ruth Mendelson, Atlas Avenue, had as her guest for several days during the holidays Miss Ritta Rotish, of Oshawa, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Kates, and children, Barnard and Tina, of Chicago, Ill., spent the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kates, 2 Rusholme Drive.

Joan Bonime, of Brooklyn, N.Y., spent the holidays with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cooper, Vesta Drive.

Miss Eva Jackson, Chiltern Hill Road, has returned after spending three months with her cousins, Rabbi and Mrs. Morris Clark of Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Corporal Carl Chinsky, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Chinsky, Taylor Street, has recently arrived overseas. His wife is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tator, Coolmine Road.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Mendelsohn, Atlas Avenue, had as their guest the former's sister, Mrs. Edward Felton, of Jackson, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cole, of Winnipeg, Man., are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Tuerk, Rushton Road, while in town for the Greenberg-Cole wedding, which takes place on Saturday, April 14.

Miss Helen Faibish, Bloor Street West, is spending two weeks in New York, visiting friends and relatives.

Warren Shandelman, 43 Nassau Street, spent the holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Smith, of Guelph.

H. M. Barnett, Beverley Street, has returned home after spending two weeks in New York.

George Heiber, of St. John, N.B., spent the holidays with his father, M. Heiber and family, Huron Street.

Mrs. Charles Rotenberg, Palmerston Boulevard, and her daughter, Mrs. R. Brown, Heathdale Road, have returned after spending two months in Miami, Florida.

Mrs. L. Goldberg, Manning Avenue, has returned from a visit in Montreal, Que.

Mrs. M. J. Sachs and children, of Ottawa, Ont., spent the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Krushevsky, Beverley Street.

Morris Judowitz, of Bronx, N.Y., spent several days with his wife and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Soupcoff, Beatrice Street.

Mrs. G. Korman and her sister, Miss Edith Spinner, Euclid Avenue, are spending several weeks with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. Solomon, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Keshen, of Buffalo, N.Y., spent the holidays with the former's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Keshen, Page Street.

Warrant Officer Albert Cohen, R.C.A.F., and Mrs. Cohen have returned to Portage la Prairie, Man., after spending several weeks with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gary, College Street, and Mr. and Mrs. I. Cohen, Helena Avenue.

Mrs. Oscar Albert Carling Avenue, entertained at a luncheon in honour of Mrs. L. Schneider, of Hanover.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gold, Westmount Avenue, celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary at a dinner for the immediate family.

Mrs. A. Nissenbaum, Beverley Street, entertained at a luncheon at the King Edward Hotel in honour of Miss Jean Bregman, whose marriage to Jule Nissenbaum takes place on May 20. The honoree wore a navy dress with pink trimming, and a pink and blue matching hat. Mrs. Nissenbaum received in a black and yellow print dress, assisted by Mrs. R. Bregman, mother of the bride-elect, also wearing a black and yellow print dress. About one hundred guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Nussbaum, 123 Wembley Road, gave a party in honor of their son, LAC Jules Nussbaum, R.C.A.F., who spent his furlough here. Present were: Misses Anita Buckler, Sybil Cadesky, Gilda Naiman, Anita Wagman, Mildred Safranoff, Mildred Samuels, Gilda Litwin, Florence Cousin, Helen Stein, Elaine Nussbaum, his sister; Faye Colomby, and Carole Levenson; and Irving Winston, Herman Wiseman, Lionel Axler, Cecil Davidson, Max Cainer, Harold Alter, Morton Eisen, Jack Zaldin, Bernard Goldstein, Harvey Nussbaum, his brother; Fred Fink, and James Climand.

Miss Clara Krugel, Crawford Street, spent ten days in New York.

Mr. George Kurlander, and daughter, Sheila, of Bronx, N.Y., spent two weeks with the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. Walkoff, Euclid Avenue.

Flying Officer William R. Weinstein, R.C.A.F., who is stationed in Nassau, Bahamas, and just returned from India, is spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Weinstein, 26 Lakeview Avenue.

Pte. Al. Hershkovits, stationed at Cape Breton Island, N.S., is spending his furlough with his wife and daughters, Ethel and Freda, Shaw Street.

Cpl. Irving Friedman, R.C.A.F., of Ottawa, Ont., spent Passover with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. Friedman, Markham Street.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Magder, of St. Catharine's, spent the Passover holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Zener, Cecil Street.

L.A.C. Bernard Gershman, R.C.A.F., stationed at Dartmouth, N.S., spent Passover with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gershman, 630 Euclid Avenue.

Pte. Mac Crystal, stationed at Red Deer, Alta., spent the Passover holidays with his wife and daughter, Nita, Manning Avenue.

Miss Sarah Lazarus, of Ottawa, Ont., has returned home, after spending two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kubane, Markham Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hanet, 210 Brookdale Avenue, entertained Mrs. J. Pearl, of Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Edison, 308 Whitmore Avenue, entertained Mrs. J. Pearl, of Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Saltzman, Rosemary Road, entertained at a theatre party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dolgy; formerly Miss Rose Grafstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jackson, Chiltern Hill Road, were hosts at an evening for her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jule Kessler, of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Adler gave a cocktail and dancing party, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Mack Dolgy, formerly Miss Rose Grafstein.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Umansky, 1126 Dundas Street West, gave a birthday party for their daughter, Suzanne, who was four. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. I. Umansky and children, Sandra and daughter, Sheila; Mr. and Mrs. S. Umansky, Mr. and Mrs. H. White and children, Bernice and Gerald; Mrs. K. Langbord and daughter, Merle; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Moskowitz.

Harold Seymour Freeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Freeman, Vaughan Road, was host at a party in honour of his sixth birthday. About twelve children were present.

Mrs. M. Goldstein, 322 Roxton Road, is entertaining at an open house tea on Saturday, April 14, from three to six o'clock, in honour of Mrs. I. Nodelman, who is leaving for Los Angeles, Cal.

Jack Litowitz, of New York, visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. B. Moskowitz, Palmerston Boulevard. Those who entertained for him were: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mills, Roxton Road, at a dinner; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Altman, Bathurst Street, at an evening.

Mr. and Mrs. David Vise, Elderwood Drive, were hosts at a reception in honour of the bar-mitzvah of their son, Joseph Baruch. About two hundred guests were present, those from out-of-town being: Mrs. M. E. Robbins, sister of Mrs. Vise, and son, David, of Long Island, N.Y.; and George W. Cohen, of Montreal, Que.

A birthday party was held in honour of Sonny Monheit, at the home of his aunt, Mrs. H. Firsten, Shaw Street. The table was decorated with baskets of candies, and a birthday cake. Present were: Lewis Lightstone, Shelley Cohen, Marvin Cohen, Rosalind Lewis, Harold Lewis, Harvey Levin, Sheldon Robbins, and Sandy Norton.

Mrs. S. Taylor was hostess at a dinner party at Murray House, in honour of the engagement of her daughter, Betty Marion, to Donald M. Postel. Out-of-Town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. E. Holland, of Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Lublin and daughter, Arlene, and Mrs. A. Abramowitz, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Shapiro and daughters, Theda and Adele, of New York; Mrs. William Effron, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. George Fine and daughter, Eileen, of Barrie; and Mrs. T. Cadesky, of Mount Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grossman, Queen Street West, were hosts at a birthday party in honour of the first birthday of their son, Jack. The table was decorated with a centrepiece of sweet peas and pink and white carnations, and a birthday cake, iced in blue and white, had in red lettering, "Happy Birthday, dear Jackie, one year old". The two blue candles on the cake were blown out by Jack's cousins, Lawrence Capp and Leonard Eisen. Mrs. Grossman wore a red and white dress, and Jack wore a red and white woollen suit. Present were: Mesdames J. Galitsky and R. Grossman, the two grandmothers; Mrs. Charles Capitofsky and son, Lawrence; Mrs. Harry Eisen and son, Leonard, Mrs. S. Goldman and daughter, Rhoda; Mrs. Louis Davidson and daughter, Ruth; Mr. and Mrs. A. Katz and sons, Arthur and David; Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hack and sons, Arthur and Donald, Mr. and Mrs. S. Willensky and daughters, Myrna and Elaine; Mrs. J. Rotenberg and sons, Stanley and Sheldon; H. Cooper and son, Stephen; David Flashman and daughter, Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. I. Grossman and son, Joseph; Misses Ann Galitsky, Lily Grossman, Hannah Grossman, Thelma Grossman, and Edith Grossman, Jack's aunts; Samuel Grossman, his uncle; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davidson; Misses Mary Somat and Rosalie Scherer; and Sol. Capitofsky.

## BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Mandel (nee Thelma Wiener), 329 Walmer Road, on April 5, at Toronto General Hospital, a daughter. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Wiener, Borden Street; and Mr. and Mrs. L. Mandel, Baldwin Street.

Born, to Corporal Joseph Grossman, R.C.A.F., and Mrs. Grossman (nee Sylvia Spring), 45 Ulster Street, on April 3, at Women's College Hospital, a daughter, Gayle. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Spring, Ulster Street; and Mr. and Mrs. I. Groseman, College Street; great-grandmothers are Mrs. F. Doren, Baldwin Street; and Mrs. S. Spring, Nassau Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berger (nee Rose Livy Pollack, formerly of Winnipeg, Man.), on April 3, at Women's College Hospital, a son. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. K. Pollack, of Winnipeg, Man.; and Mrs. E. Berger, of Toronto.

Born, to Private and Mrs. Nat Kutner (nee Belle Chousky), Roxton Road, on April 5, at Toronto Western Hospital, a son. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Chousky, Roxton Road; and Mr. and Mrs. C. Kutner, Shaw Street.

Born, to Corporal and Mrs. Louis Sordin (nee Marion Krieger), Brunswick Avenue, on March 14, at Women's College Hospital, a son, Leonard Mitchell. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. N. Krieger, Brunswick Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. B. Surdin, Oxford Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cohen (nee Yetta Tishler), 157 William Street, Brantford, Ont., on March 27, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. Cohen, 354 Queen Street East; and Mr. and Mrs. H. Tishler, 204 Robert Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Goldstein (nee Rae Isenberg), 79 Pendrith Avenue, on March 31, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Joseph, brother of Flory Anne; grandson of Mrs. Ettie Isenberg, Pendrith Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. I. Goldofsky (nee Gale Antslick), 26 Montrose Avenue, on March 28, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Ronny. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L. Antslick, Grange Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Goldofsky, Robert Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Rubin Brand (nee Ruth Snider), 1190 Avenue Road, on April 2, at Toronto Western Hospital, a son, brother of Vicki Sandra. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. Snider, Hillcrest Drive; and Mr. and Mrs. P. Brand, Glen Cedar Road.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. Herman Rivkin (nee Lillian Soskin), 27 Cheritan Avenue, on March 30, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son, Elliott Russell, brother of Bernice Josephine.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Mendelson (nee Sue Frilleck), 1535 Bathurst Street, on March 28, at Toronto General Hospital, a daughter, Kathy Anne.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jordan, 16 Kendal Avenue, (nee Toby Biatt), on March 29, at Toronto General Hospital, a daughter, Fern Suzanne.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Arbus, 40 Beverley Street (nee Gertrude Charendoff), on March 30, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a son. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. Arbus, Sullivan Street; and Mrs. T. Charendoff, Beverley Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Klaiman (nee Fay Blumstein), 2231 Maplewood Avenue, Montreal, a daughter, Phyllis, sister of Marilyn, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, in Montreal, on March 16; granddaughter of D. Blumstein, Augusta Avenue, and of the late Mrs. D. Blumstein; and of Mrs. J. Skurko, Manning Street, Montreal, and of the late J. Klaiman.

Born, to Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Manuel Rossman (nee Marion Hartzman, formerly of Toronto), of Pueblo, Colorado, on March 28, in Pueblo, Colorado, a son, Martin Leslie.

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## • TORONTO MEETINGS •

● AZA-YPL charity ball, at the Royal York Hotel, on Saturday, April 14, has as its patrons: Mr. and Mrs. David Dunkelman, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kronick, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Granatstein, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Oelbaum, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Arnold, S. J. Zacks, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. E. Herman, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lubotta, Mr. and Mrs. William Agranove, Mr. and Mrs. David Bronstein, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Posluns, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rotenberg, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Samuels, Mr. and Mrs. Leon E. Weinstein, Mr. and Mrs. M. Goldstick. A "queen of the ball" will be chosen. Proceeds are in aid of Youth Aliyah. Dance committee: Saul Segal, J. Shankman, Bert Sandler, Norman Bensky, M. Goldberg, Samuel Wolfe, of AZA; Al. Litman, H. L. Orfus, Lionel J. Starkman, Sydney Sugarman, Misses Norma Rizenman and Goldie Bender, of YPL.

● BNAI BRITH Lodge and Women's Auxiliary Number 434 will install as officers, on Monday, April 16, at the Royal York Hotel: Frank Godfrey, president; Louis Herman, first vice-president; Norman Cowan, second vice-president; Ellis I. Shapiro, S. Fred Tobias, Milton Shekter, George Altman, Albert Steinberg, M. B. Ennis, Louis Robinson, S. O. Greisman, Henry Weiner, Aaron Wolfe, Sidney Z. Lipman; Mesdames R. Markus, president; E. Lipman, first vice-president; L. Lavine, second vice-president; G. Wise, D. Feinstone, J. Winer, A. Mutzer, J. Godfrey, M. Moscovitz, A. Weinstein, I. Feinberg, S. Pachter, E. Shekter. Guest speaker will be Rabbi Joseph Renov, Hillel Foundation director at Queen's University, who will speak on "Bnai Brith And Its Role In The Post-War World". Rabbi Renov is a graduate of Louisiana State University, and the Hebrew Theological College, in Chicago, Ill. Jewish Folk Choir, directed by Emil Gartner, will sing.

● RABBINICAL Council, Vaad Horabonim, met at the Hebrew Free School, to reorganize for the purpose of supervising kashruth, to give guidance to the religious needs of the Jewish community, and to strengthen Judaism in all its phases. Officers elected are: Rabbi Meyer H. Levy, president; Rabbis [illegible] vice-presidents; Rabbi [illegible] secretary; Rabbi M. Zimmerman, secretary. Others present were: Rabbis M. Langer, ... Hurwitz, I. Aronoff, A. Langer, M. Burak, A. Kalman, M. Berger, S. Langer.

● HADASSAH: Menorah Chapter are holding a spring dance in aid of Palestine work, on Saturday, May 5, at Eaton Auditorium. Door prize, lucky number dances. Tickets from Mrs. I. Sussman, president, Mi. 3259, or Mrs. I. Appleby, convener, Lo. 3406. Sharon Chapter spring tea in aid of Youth Aliyah, on Sunday, April 15, at the home of Mrs. S. Levine, 43 Turner Road, has as conveners: Mesdames S. Levine, P. G. Gordon, S. Davis, B. Straus. Piyah Chapter, of Oshawa, are holding a dance in aid of Youth Aliyah, on May 1, at the Piccadilly Room, Genosha Hotel. Tickets at the hotel, at the dance. Mrs. B. J. Segal is secretary.

● COMBINED Palestine Appeal: Rabbi Samuel Brodt, member of the Polish Parliament, and of the Zionist Actions Committee, will address a rally at 13 Richmond Street East, on Sunday, April 15, at 8:30 p.m. Public invited. Rabbi Brodt, who is former Grand Rabbi of Antwerp and a leader of the World Mizrachi movement, will speak in Yiddish. Cantor Leibel Waldman, American cantor, will sing. Rabbi Brodt will discuss the statement of the Duke of Devonshire, Colonial Under-Secretary in the British Government, and the refusal of the Colonial office to grant immigration permits for thousands of refugees now in Switzerland.

● TRI-BELL Athletic and Recreation Club is presenting "Hoax 'N' Cloax", a musical comedy, produced and directed by Joseph Fox, at the Royal Alexandra Theatre, on Sunday, April 15, and the two following Sunday evenings. In the cast of fifty, are Lou. Jacobi, Samuel Sales, and John Shapiro. Information and invitations from P. Fienberg, 436½ College Street, Ra. 8549. This is the annual charity-fund raising activity of the club.

● LEIBOVITZ Circle monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leibovitz, Dufferin Street, had present: Miss Jeanette Leibovitz, Dufferin Street; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Borowoy, Harbord Street; Mr. and Mrs. E. Leibovitz, Shaw Street; Mr. and Mrs. L. Slippoy, Rusholme Road; Mr. and Mrs. M. Fromstein, Clinton Street; Mr. and Mrs. R. Goldstein, Grace Street; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leibovitz, Manning Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leibovitz, Manning Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leibovitz, Beatrice Street; Mr. and Mrs. N. Gilburd, Shaw Street; Mr. and Mrs. H. Leibovitz, Lauder Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. H. Freud, Rusholme Road; Misses Helen Leibovitz, Frances Leibovitz, Shirley Goldstein; N. Leibovitz. The hostess was assisted by her daughter, Jeanette.

● PRIDE OF ISRAEL Ladies Auxiliary held a dinner at Murray House in honour of their twenty-fourth anniversary, Mrs. N. Albert, chairman, welcoming the guests, and introducing the toastmaster, Mrs. A. Soloway, immediate past chairman. Guest speaker was Samuel Lipshitz, of the Canadian Jewish Congress, who made an appeal for Passover Relief. Through the efforts of Harry Lapofsky, of the Pride of Israel Sick Benefit Society, a sum was raised, which was turned over to the Canadian Jewish Congress by the following members: Mesdames N. Albert, I. M. Bolter, Z. Epchin. Representatives of the various branches present were: J. Brickman, president of the Pride of Israel Sick Benefit Society, who presented the chairman with a gift; Mesdames D. Wolfe and J. Goodman, vice-chairmen of the Auxiliary, who made a presentation on its behalf; Mesdames D. Manilla, E. Gilbert, B. Perenson, of the Young Ladies Group; Irving Albert, chairman of the War Efforts Committee, who congratulated the Auxiliary and thanked them for their co-operation with the War Effort Group; N. Skolnick, chairman of the Young Men's Group. Mrs. M. Schwartz held a benefit at her home, Heydon Park Road. The auxiliary also contributed through the War Efforts Committee toward Youth Aliyah, and they send comfort boxes to soldiers overseas.

● ORDER of Eastern Star: Deborah Chapter, Number Forty-Three, are holding a dance on Tuesday, April 17, in the Crystal Ballroom, Royal York Hotel. Mrs. J. Yudken, Mo. 5244, is general convener; Mesdames E. Borovoy, Me. 7059, ticket convener; S. Cohen, Wa. 6233, co-convener.

● RAINBOW ORDER for Girls: Junior Alumnae are holding a charity tea, on Sunday, April 15, at the home of Mrs. Phillip Smith, 121 Lyndhurst Avenue. Tickets, from Misses Shirley Hattin, Lo. 8350; or Mildred Harris, Mo. 2032.

## BAR-MITZVAHS

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Friedlander announce the bar-mitzvah of their son, Barnard Isaac, to take place on Saturday, April 14, at Brunswick Avenue Talmud Torah. Reception at 18 Highbourne Road, from eight to eleven o'clock. No cards are being sent out.

## ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement of Corinne, daughter of Samuel Shendroff, Conrad Avenue, and the late Mrs. Shendroff, to Alfred Maurice Dalgorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dalgorf, Westover Hill Road, is announced, the marriage to take place on May 24, at Holy Blossom Temple.

The engagement of Leading Woman Telegrapher Celia Weiser, W.R.C.N.S., daughter of Mrs. S. Weiser, St. Andrew's Street, and the late Mr. Weiser, to Flight Lieutenant Ralph Wolman, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wolman, Richview Avenue, is announced.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Garelick, Euclid Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Helen, to Ben. Tepper, R.C.N.V.R., youngest son of N. Tepper, of Montreal, Que., and the late Mrs. Tepper.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Grusch, Kensington Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Blanche, to Leading Aircraftman Wilfred Schwartz, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Schwartz, Euclid Avenue, the marriage to take place on June 24.

Mrs. C. Levy, Manning Avenue, announces the engagement of her daughter, Vivian Lewis, to Morris Sherkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sherkin, Wells Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Black, Conrad Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Claire, to Flying Officer Bernard David Smith, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith, Pape Avenue, the marriage to take place on June 10, at Goel Tzedec Synagogue.

## MARRIAGES

### DOLGY-GRAFSTEIN

The marriage of Rose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Grafstein, Brunswick Avenue, to Mack Dolgy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dolgy, of Montreal, Que., took place on Sunday, March 4, at half past six o'clock, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, Rabbi Judah Washer officiating, assisted by Cantor A. Steinberg. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an ivory-colored gown, with a V-neckline, fitted bodice with lace insertions, and a full skirt. Her full-length veil of tulle illusion was caught to her head with a crown of seed pearls, and she carried a bouquet of Calla lilies and roses. Mrs. Samuel Adler, of Hamilton, was matron of honour, in a pink sheer gown, fashioned with a fitted bodice and full skirt. Her headdress was a pink Dutch cap, and she carried a nosegay of pink roses. The bridesmaids were Misses Tilley Grafstein, in a heaven-blue corded silk gown, with fuchsia-coloured gloves and headdress; Lillian Josephson, in a wine-and-rose-coloured taffeta gown, with a blue headdress and matching gloves; Beatrice Caplan, in a pink net, with blue headdress and gloves; Molly Grafstein, in a turquoise-blue crepe, with fuchsia headdress and gloves; Myrna Dolgy, of Montreal, Que., in blue sheer with fuchsia headdress and gloves; and Mrs. George Dorfman, of New York, in a powder-blue crepe draped gown, with fuchsia headdress and gloves. All the bridesmaids carried nosegays of roses. Bennett Dolgy, of Montreal, Que., brother of the groom, was best man. The synagogue was decorated with ferns and spring flowers; and during the ceremony, an original composition by Miss Gladys Buralem, "Come, Won't You Dream Once Again", was played by Sigmund Steinberg, accompanied by Miss Buralem. Following the ceremony, the bride's mother, Mrs. Grafstein, received in an aquamarine-blue draped dinner gown, with a corsage of pink and red roses. Mrs. Dolgy, the groom's mother, wore an orchid-coloured gown, with a corsage of pink roses. For the wedding trip to Montreal, Que., and New York, the bride wore a Dubonnet-coloured dressmaker suit, with a Persian lamb coat and black accessories. The couple will reside in Toronto. Out-of-town guests were: Mrs. George Dorfman and Mrs. E. Lambert, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dolgy, Mrs. Paul Dolgy, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Dolgy, Misses Myrna Dolgy, Ruth Silverman, Edith Cohen; and Leading Aircraftsman S. Koslick, R.C.A.F., all of Montreal, Que.; Mrs. D. Rosen and sons, Harold and Gerald; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Adler, Samuel Lax, A. Halpern, and Mr. and Mrs. N. Seaman, all of Hamilton; Mrs. J. C. Wolfe and daughter, Dorothy, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Grafstein, of Peterboro; Edward Wise, of Kitchener; Mr. and Mrs. M. Grafstein, Mr. and Mrs. S. Grafstein and daughter, Pauline, of London, Ont.; and Leading Aircraftsman S. Grafstein, R.C.A.F., of St. Thomas.

There are about 4,000 Jews in Vilna at present. The Bolshaya and the Choral Synagogues are functioning.

Avenue of Fashion Trends

Fashion-minded women are going to look to Simpson's Avenue of Fashion Trends to keep them posted on all that's new, all that's important in clothes and accessories. From Yonge Street, almost to Bay Street, it spreads out like a lovely boulevard. Fashion "zones" display groups of co-ordinated clothes featuring style trends and color schemes that are news. There will be an ever-changing fashion scene along the Avenue so that new things may be presented as soon as they are released from leading style centres.

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## BLACK JEWS

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many adults in its evening college.

Members of the Commandment Keepers are careful to refer to themselves as "Black Jews", and are displeased if they are called "Negroes." Rabbi Matthew explains that the name Negro had no history prior to the fourteenth century, and since then has been associated with "bondage and degradation."

He believes all so-called Negroes are of Ethiopian ancestry, and hence of original Hebrew stock. He meets doubters with copious quotations from Biblical history, asserting that the original name for Africa was Ethiopia, that King Menelik I, its first king, was a son of King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, that he was confirmed in the faith of his father at the age of thirteen in what was then the equivalent of Palestine, and was sent by King Solomon at the age of twenty-four to colonize Ethiopia.

Rabbi Matthew points out that there has been an unbroken succession of 613 kings from Menelik I to Haile Selassie, the present ruler of Ethiopia. He cites the strong similarity in pronunciation and meaning of certain Hebrew and Ethiopian words, such as the cry of the Ethiopian water carrier, "Maim, maim," the Hebrew equivalent for water.

The Coptic Christian Church, Rabbi Matthew admits, is Ethiopia's official church, but he argues that the church is only 1,600 years old, while Ethiopia's history dates back 3,000 years and more. He asserts that the Coptic Church itself has admitted Ethiopia's Hebrew background. He also cites the fact that many Ethiopians, known as Falashas, are still adherents of the Jewish faith.

Rabbi Matthew is a native of Lagos, Nigeria, on Africa's west coast. His father was a Falasha Jew. He studied at the Rose of Sharon Seminary, in Cincinnati. He said that after the founding of the Commandment Keepers a white rabbi obtained for him a scholarship at the University of Berlin, where he enrolled in the Jewish theological department. He left the Commandment Keepers under the supervision of an Ethiopian he had befriended.

Rabbi Matthew returned from Berlin in 1927 to find the Commandment Keepers still in existence and facing strong competition from a rival sect of Black Jews. This group had been organized during his absence by a native of the West Indies, Rabbi Josiah Ford. Rabbi Matthew inherited this flock when Rabbi Ford departed for Ethiopia in 1932.

The Commandment Keepers according to Rabbi Matthew, are Orthodox Jews. He adds that there are at least 150,000 Falasha Black Jews in America and another 100,000 in the West Indies.

## U. S. MAJOR GENERAL

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time. Often the fighting swirled around his very headquarters.

The Third Armored Division's capture of Liege last September was a typical General Rose operation. The General sent his two combat commands against the city from the west and north, as the Germans had expected. He himself took his headquarters, with its tanks, far to the south of the city and then swung in next morning from the east, astonishing the Germans and trapping much of their garrison.

In his jeep he led his force through the suburbs and when he reached a bend in the highway beyond which were Germans firing he halted his column and prepared to go in first himself.

Some of the correspondents told him they thought he was taking too much risk.

"That's the way I find out just what the enemy has got and what I must do," he replied, and went on in.

A possible clue to how he met death appeared in a citation a few weeks ago for the Distinguished Service Medal awarded for General Rose's leadership of the division through France and Belgium into Germany. It said:

"Displaying inspiring leadership, tactical skill and great valor, he continuously exposed himself to enemy observation and fire to gain firsthand knowledge of the situation and to direct the attack from a better vantage point."

A dispatch gave another sidelight on General Rose's way of fighting a war. It told how the general personally led a squad of a colonel, a major and two privates against twenty German soldiers hidden beside their road. All the Germans were shot or captured.

General Rose also figured as a negotiator the first time the "unconditional surrender" principle was applied to the Germans on a large scale. This was in Tunisia at the time of the collapse of Nazi forces there.

The tall, black-haired Rose then was a colonel, chief of staff to Maj. Gen. Ernest N. Harmon, commander of the First Armored Division.

The First Armored had captured Bizerte, and Harmon had just launched his tanks in what he intended as the final blow to break German resistance in Tunisia.

A German envoy from Gen. Fritz Krause came through the lines in a white-draped wagon to ask terms. General Harmon, known as "Old Gravel Voice," gave it to him straight—"unconditional surrender, with no effort to escape by sea or sabotage equipment."

General Rose, resplendent in dress cavalry breeches and boots, was delegated to carry the word to Krause. Followed by an American half track with radio equipment, he and the German envoy made their way through the lines with First Armored tanks mopping up all around. They arrived at Krause's headquarters in a shower of explosives from American fighter bombers.

Twenty minutes later General Rose messaged his commander:

"Sir, General Krause accepts your terms of unconditional surrender."

His answer from "Old Gravel Voice" was:

"Well, how about that bastard up north—does he still want a fight?"

That was code for General Willibald Borowiecz, German commander in the adjoining sector.

Borowiecz showed up in person at General Harmon's headquarters to give up while General Rose was on the way back.

General Rose was the eleventh American general officer killed in action in this war. Eight others have died in airplane crashes and fifteen from natural causes, while eight are missing and nineteen are prisoners of war.

Major General Rose, who distinguished himself repeatedly as the commanding officer of the Third Armored Division in the last year, was born in Middletown, Conn., on Nov. 26, 1899, the son of Samuel and Katherine Brown Rose. He received his first military experience as a private in a cavalry troops of the Colorado National Guard in 1916.

He was commissioned a second-lieutenant of infantry on Aug. 15, 1917, after attending an officers' training camp, and was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in December, 1917. He served with the American Expeditionary Force and won the Purple Heart and the Silver Star.

General Rose was discharged from the Army in June, 1919, but was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Regular Army on July 1, 1920. He was promoted to captain on March 13, 1926; to major on Jan. 1, 1936, and to lieutenant colonel on Aug. 13, 1940.

He was graduated from the company officer's course at the Infantry School in 1926, and from the troop officers' course at the Cavalry School in 1931. He was graduated from the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., in 1937.

Named Chief of Staff of the Second Armor Division in January, 1942, he went overseas in December of that year and fought in the North African campaign. He remained with the Second Armored Division until June, 1943, when he was promoted to the rank of brigadier general.

Fred K. Hoehler, director of the Displaced Persons Division, declared that no pressure will be exerted on stateless Jews in UNRRA camps to compel them to return to Germany.

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# Commentaries

By Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi

## The Rabbi Of Rome: Conversion, Apostasy, And Proselytism

*(Concluded from last week)*

The Christian church has a mission of conversion. Judaism also preaches a mission in the ideal sense by force of example of moral and ethical conduct. But Christianity, Orthodox Christianity considers it an obligation to carry the mission to heathens, Jews and all non-Christians for it holds to the belief that the Christian faith alone can bring salvation to these peoples. One wonders, indeed, at the paradox that so many Christians who are so anxious to get Jews a place in heaven do everything to deny the Jew his rightful place on earth!

Despite the doctrine of the Church which teaches that baptism must be voluntary, during the middle ages Jews were forced to the baptismal font. Constant pressure was exerted, economic and legal, to make the Jew leave the faith of his fathers. The Jew in those dark ages had to choose either persecution, exile, and death or baptism. Hence we have today people in Portugal and Spain, descendants of those Marranos who openly practiced Christianity but secretly professed Judaism.

However, in all fairness it must be stated that some Jews came into Christianity out of conviction, especially in days when Christianity possessed no power. These were attached to the faith by its mysticism.

One may recall the name of Heinrich Heine, the Jew who was baptized and became a Protestant in Germany as a preliminary to his LL.D. degree at the University of Gottingen. Heine felt himself, though baptized, as never converted and considered it a disgrace and stain upon his honour that he had to do this to obtain office. Thus in 1826 he wrote "I am hated alike by Jew and Christian. I regret very deeply I had myself baptized. I do not see I have been the better ever since. On the contrary, I know nothing but misfortune."

Among converts to Christianity who rather served well the cause of truth in defense of the Jew were men like Professor David Chwolson (1911) of Semitic scholarship fame, and Benjamin Disraeli, the Earl of Beaconsfield. Another famous convert was Bishop Schereschewski, of Shanghai, who translated the Bible into Mandarin Chinese and is known as the translator of the two-finger Bible.

By apostasy, we refer to one of Israel's household who embraces another faith for selfish reasons and opposes Judaism and attacks Judaism. These we named "Meshumodim." The term "Meshumad" was thus a name of stigma. Within Jewry such have been looked upon as betrayers and traitors. The Jewish people have suffered much from these apostates. One need only recall the behaviour of Nicholas Donin who brought about so much misery by distorting truths of Judaism in the thirteenth century. Because of his lies in 1242, twenty-four carloads of Talmudic literature were destroyed in the public square of Paris.

What shall we say of that despicable person, Johann Pfefferkorn, whose early training as a butcher was his sole claim to scholarship, who employed the church leaders to believe that the Jewish Talmud was filled with libels on Christianity? Alas, the Dominicans of Cologne supported this apostate and in 1509 Pfefferkorn obtained permission from Emperor Maximillian to confiscate the Talmud. Fortunately Johann Reuchlin, the great Christian humanist, came to the rescue. By Reuchlin's scholarship and his plea, the Talmud was saved.

By the term proselytes, we refer to those non-Jews who embrace Judaism. Ruth, of the Biblical record, was such an adherent of Judaism. In the Roman period of Jewish history we find that Tacitus and Cicero complain of many Roman citizens joining Israel's community. It is said that some of our great Talmudic Rabbis such as Akiba and Shamai and Abtalyon were of non-Jewish origin. Up to the third century of the common era converts to Judaism were eagerly welcomed. But when Christianity became a state religion, the dominant faith penalized those who sought the fellowship of Israel. Christianity legislated against the heroic and honest converts who felt that Judaism was the supreme faith.

We Jews feel that the best kind of missionary results are affected by noble living. Our sages have transmitted to us the thought "The pious of all people have a share in the world to come." Outstanding non-Jews through the centuries took on the faith of our fathers. There was King Bulon, ruler of the Chazars, and his entire kingdom who took on Judaism. There was Bishop Bodo, in the tenth century, spiritual adviser to King Louis, the Pious, who renounced Christianity to become a Jew. In our own day, the Catholic, Pulliere, now liberal Rabbi of Paris, has told his dramatic pilgrimage from Christianity to Judaism in his memorable work, "The Unknown Sanctuary."

Zolli's desertion is but a symptom of the spiritual catastrophe which has descended along with the physical tragedy upon European peoples generally and the Jewish people of Europe in particular. The remnants of European Jewry are in need not only of food, clothing, and shelter but they urgently need a revitalization of faith and a rebuilding of their spiritual life. The strain of these war years, their suffering under Nazi tyranny; the separation of families; the death of dear ones, all these factors have made for broken and shattered souls. What a tremendous job for us, the Jewries of the Americas, does European Jewry present in spiritual relief and rehabilitation.

For Christians, Christianity is the best religion. For Jews Judaism is the best religion. Let Christians be the best kind of Christians and let Jews be the best kind of Jews and therein is the hope for a decent society. That is in truth the significance of "spiritual democracy" and the meaning of the war which we are now waging in the cause of democracy and global freedom.

# KEY TO THE FUTURE IN PALESTINE IS IRRIGATION

The New Statesmen And Nation, of London, England, says:

An event happened in Cairo which may have considerable influence on the tangled politics of the Middle East. The Foreign Ministers of all the Arab States met and signed the constitution of a permanent league that unites them all. It is not a federation, but (though its text is not yet published) it is, presumably, at least a close alliance which binds them to a common foreign policy. This is of importance, since Russia, the United States and France are all interested in this part of the world, no less than the British Empire. If our road to India runs through it, the others share our interest in its oil, while France has with Syria and the Lebanon cultural ties, fortified by a long and cherished tradition.

The new phase will also affect the future of Palestine and the Jewish question, and it is significant that a Palestinian Arab adhered to the League's charter on behalf of his fellow Muslims. The world will inevitably see in this event a success for British policy which has worked for this result for many years. Three of the signatory States, Egypt, Irak and Saudi Arabia, have long been linked in various ways and degrees to the British Empire.

It will be claimed for the new League that it establishes the independence of these States which will be stronger as a single block than they were as rival units. If the feuds and jealousies that divided their dynasties are really at an end, this is in a measure true. But neither singly nor as a group have they on a realistic reckoning the resources that give a meaning to that misleading word "independence." The most advanced of them has taken only the first rudimentary steps in industrial development: none of them has or can create a heavy industry: none of them could make a tank or an airplane. Rightly or wrongly, then the world will see in this Arab League an outwork of the British Empire, and we must not expect the French, who still insist on their position of "special privilege" in Syria, to view its formation with much enthusiasm. The attitude of the Russians and Americans will be influenced by their anxiety about oil, of which Saudi Arabia is now believed to be an even richer source than Irak.

How this new League will affect the Jewish National Home cannot be clearly foreseen, but the association with it of the Palestinian Arabs justifies some anxiety. This difficult and passionately disputed question will have to be faced in the very near future. The worst approach to it lies through the jungle of Mid-Eastern politics. There is, however, another way of approaching it. These Arab States are at present a group of backward political units, ruled by a reactionary and rather rapacious feudal caste. Their populations are dismally poor and they are in numbers, wealth and civilisation far behind the levels they reached in antiquity. Why this is so is no mystery. Norman conquerors destroyed their elaborate systems of irrigation, and after their irruption followed centuries of stagnation and misgovernment under the Turks. To stereotype this decay in a rigid political pattern is the worst they we could do. Nor can we find a solution of the Middle East problem by concentrating on our own Imperialist interest in oil-wells, ports and airfields vital for our communications.

There falls to be considered the possibility of restoring for the benefit of these neglected peoples the civilisation that once flourished in these semi-deserts. The archaeologists have taught us to respect the great achievements of the ancients. But modern engineering leaves them far behind. It can do much more with water for purposes of irrigation, and, in addition, it can use it to generate electricity. Leagues between kings may be a good thing in their way, but what we ardently desire to see is a plan of development for the whole of this Arab world, based on the utilisation of rivers and sub-soil water. Persia comes into the picture at one end and North Arica at the other. The New Deal has worked out an inspiring model in the Tennessee Valley and tested there and elsewhere the techniques by which soil erosion can be combated. The "Big Three", it is said, are about to inaugurate a new form of "trusteeship", under which they propose to act as the guardians of some backward and troubled regions. To summon these states as independent sovereigns to San Francisco is an empty gesture. To offer them help in developing their resources of water would be the first act of an enlightened trustee.

As one item in a broad policy of this kind the Zionist question can be solved: take it in isolation and we shall fail. It is fatal that the Arabs should get the idea that development and the booms of science are only for the Jews. That has been from the start the chief misfortune of our policy in Palestine. The development of the country should have been planned as a whole in order to give its Arab inhabitants confidence in their future. Even now it is not too late to face the problem in this spirit. Nazi brutality has made it more than ever incumbent on us to provide a fair opportunity for the surviving Jews. Palestine should be open to all Jews who desire to emigrate there and whom the country can absorb. But to neglect the needs of the Arab population in it and round it, while we do this would be an unjust as it would be impolitic. The key to the future, here as elsewhere in the Middle East, is irrigation.

Engineers have worked out for the Jordan Valley a plan inspired by the Tennessee Valley which promises prosperity to the Arabs, while it would bring within the bounds of possibility a Jewish immigration that might approach a maximum of five millions. There is not room on the land, needless to say, for so many, but cheap power would bring the chance for a big industrial development. If, however, all the benefits of this scheme are to be realised, it must not be confined to Palestine, and still less must it be limited to the fraction of a partitioned Palestine which some students of this question would offer to the Jews. Beyond the Jordan Valley lies the Emir Abdullah's principality, Transjordania, a poor and stagnant region, most of it a desert, in which the superb ruins of ancient cities testify to its former glories. With water from the Valley, its present population, all of it Arab, could promptly be multiplied five times over. The same thing is true of the desolate southern country of Judea, known as the Negeb. A few Bedouin roam over it to-day and grow at best a catch crop of barley round the broken pillars of its buried temples. Here on a sober reckoning given water and electric power, a million immigrants could be settled.

These are not the fantastic estimates of a partisan. We draw them from a book that deserves to be widely read, *Palestine, Land of Promise* (Gollancz, 4s. 6d). The author, W. C. Lowdermilk, who is not a Jew, is the Assistant-Chief of the Soil Conservation Service of the United States. Few experts can know as much from practice as well as theory about the miracles of modern engineering in dealing with deserts and rivers. Throughout he bases his hopeful conclusions on experience gained in the Tennessee Valley and in the very similar climate of California. His estimates are sufficiently detailed to be convincing, and he is able to summon to his support numerous expert witnesses. His book is sponsored by Sir John Russell, of Rothamsted, than whom there is in this country no higher authority on the science of farming.

Jewish colonists, as we all know, have performed miracles in drawing fertility from sand dunes and swamps. But, so far, they have used only the water each settlement could raise from its own wells. This proposal for a Jordan Valley Authority is something new, which taps unused resources, offers electricity as well as water, and promises to do as much for the Arabs as for the Jews. Is Downing Street familiar with this plan? Is it understood that the rash drawing of boundaries might destroy half its value? Our own inclination is to discourage haste in drafting a political solution. The Middle East is a thirsty land. What it wants is neither kings nor constitutions but water.

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Five million articles of clothing for civilian relief in Western Europe have been distributed by the American Red Cross since last September.

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Gerald L. K. Smith, head of the Nationalist Party, formerly known as the America First Party, has organized the National Emergency Committee with the immediate object of fighting U. S. participation in a world peace organization.

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The retreating Germans in East Prussia injected poison into Jewish prisoners at the Dobrock concentration camp near Albing, according to Ilya Ehrenburg, Russia's ace war correspondent.

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